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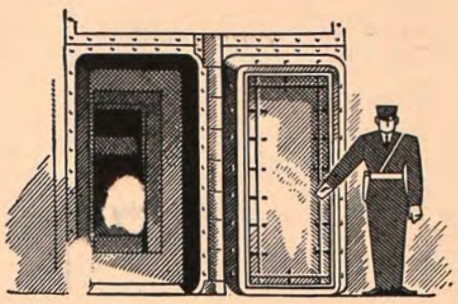

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WITH THIS issue of The Church News we can look back on a half-year of things accomplished . . . We can look back, but we prefer to look ahead to things still to be done . . . We are human enough to enjoy in anticipation the surprises that are hiding around the corner of tomorrow . . . Looking ahead, we can go forward . . . Looking back, we have to stand still lest we stumble and fall . . .

Speaking of surprises . . . how do you like the new cover on The Church News? . . . Further inside we present "The Sanctuary of Devotion," a feature which we hope may help many in their private prayers and meditations . . . An invitation is extended to the clergy to contribute this page from month to month . . .

Speaking of progress . . . Subscriptions are coming in from the campaign being conducted by the Young People's Fellowship . . . The campaign ends next month at the opening of the Fellowship's diocesan convention . . . The date is April 29 . . . At that time the winners will be announced . . .

Children of the Church Schools also are selling subscriptions to help swell their Lenten offerings . . . Here is an opportunity to help these churchmen and churchwomen of tomorrow to discharge the responsibility to the Church that they so eagerly take upon their small shoulders . . . It is difficult to recall anything that twists our heartstrings so much as the light of faith on the face of a child and the zeal that faith inspires . . .

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Light and love upon my way,
From the cross the radiance streaming,
Adds new luster to the day."

—JOHN BOWRING, 1825.

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OBJECT **1. To promote Unity of Diocesan Life** by disseminating news of the Diocese, its institutions, parishes and missions, and by printing letters and pastorals by the Bishop from time to time. **2. To promote the Missionary and Benevolent Work of the Diocese** by publishing reports and appeals, and by recording current news and events.

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The Bishop's Message

THE Lenten Season is with us with every prospect of being a great blessing. The opening service at the Locust Street Theatre was very much better attended than it was last year. The report from St. Stephen's Church for that day was "a crowded Church." There was also a large congregation when I preached there on Friday of that week. The Evangelistic service at the Church of the Holy Trinity on Thursday night was one of the largest in any year of those services. Although the day was dismal, I met large congregations at all three of my preaching services on the first Sunday in Lent. Let us hope that everyone present has received a blessing from each of these services. I hope that parochial services have been as well attended.

Nor must our private devotions be neglected, even though we attend these public services. The practice of the presence of God is a wholesome religious exercise. This we can do in our own homes.

BEGINNING with March 19th and continuing until March 26th is our *great religious Mission*. Every night, with perhaps the omission of Saturday, each Church is asked to have a preaching and devotional service. There should also be a daily celebration of the Holy Communion and an occasional afternoon service for children. This should be thoroughly published and the whole neighborhood acquainted with the fact. While we are looking for greatly increased devotion on the part of every member, we are also desirous of reaching those who are not accustomed to attending church service. It is an attempt to Christianize the whole neighborhood. In this work every member should have his part. Invite men and women personally to attend. If you have an automobile, look up those who have not, and bring them to Church. Speak enthusiastically of the services to your friends. After the Mission is over, call upon those who attended and invite them to go with you to service. Try to interest them in some of the work of the Church. If you have a men's or a woman's Bible class try to interest them in these. The Mission ends on Passion Sunday. We are right at the borders of the most sacred season of the year. In Holy Week especially, try to get them to attend these soul-stirring services, and prepare them for the Queen of Feasts—Easter.

I AM reprinting the prayer that the Committee is asking everyone to say daily both before and during the Mission:

> **"Have mercy, good Lord, on all in this Diocese during the special season of prayer and consecration of this Mission. Let Thy Spirit be poured out among us; the Spirit of light and truth, to shed abroad in our hearts holiness, wisdom, peace and love; the Spirit of grace and supplication to teach us earnestly to pray unto Thee. Let Thy blessing rest on every heart, that all may be brought unto Thee in faith and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."**

It is my earnest desire and prayer that this Mission will be a great blessing to every member of our Church and to every resident of our Diocese.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S PAGE

WE ARE proud of the work done through the Speaker's Bureau in 1938. Omitting the appointments accepted by the Executive Secretary, there were 44 missionaries from the field who kept 199 speaking engagements. This was an excellent coverage. The following fields were represented:

Foreign
- Alaska
- China
- Hawaii
- India
- Japan
- Jerusalem
- Liberia
- Philippines

Domestic
- Kansas
- Nebraska
- Nevada
- North Carolina
- North Dakota
- South Dakota
- Western Nebraska
- Western North Carolina
- Wyoming

Indian
- Ojibway Tribes in Minnesota
- Sioux in South Dakota
- Eskimos in Alaska

Colored
- Arkansas
- Mississippi
- North Carolina
- Texas
- Virginia

Miscellaneous Fields
- Oriental Religions, the Effect of Christianity on the converts
- Rural Work in New England
- Religious Education
- Social Service
- Youth Movement

The total 1938 expense for the above was $321.12. The receipts were $280, leaving a net cost of $41.12 to the Field Department.

†

There are 208 active parishes and missions in the Diocese, which means 208 accounting wardens or treasurers. We have made the sad discovery that only 18 of these accounting wardens or treasurers receive the Diocesan CHURCH NEWS. Accordingly the Executive Secretary's page for February and March is being mailed to the 190 non-subscribers, and we hope that each one of them will send us a dollar for one year's subscription to THE CHURCH NEWS.

†

This is to remind all treasurers, that the April issue of THE CHURCH NEWS will report the payments received by the Diocesan Treasurer on the 1939 Expectations from each parish and mission, for the first three months of 1939. And as the Diocesan books will close on March 20th, we hope that the money due for the first quarter will be sent in before that date. Only two parishes out of 208 send in their Expectations *monthly*. It would be a great help both to the parishes and the Diocese if more treasurers could send in monthly payments.

†

Many will regret to learn that Richard Ormiston, who for forty-three years has been a loyal and devoted member of the staff at Church House, has been compelled by ill-health to resign, effective March 1st. Mr. Ormiston has been on sick leave since November, and is now in residence at the Episcopal Hospital. A more complete appreciation of Mr. Ormiston's services will be written in the April issue of THE CHURCH NEWS.

Bishop Taitt has appointed Mr. Edward Wilkins, who has been at Church House for fourteen years, to succeed Mr. Ormiston.

†

As this issue of THE CHURCH NEWS goes to Press we have visiting in the Diocese:

March 5 to 20—The Rev. Mervin L. Wanner, of Ketchikan, Alaska, where he has been a missionary since 1927. He will be in the Diocese until March 20th with a full schedule.

March 14—Miss Anna S. VanKirk is paying another visit to the Diocese before sailing for Japan. She speaks at St. Thomas, Whitemarsh.

March 15—The Rev. Hollis Smith, of Shanghai, will speak to the Foreign Committee of the Woman's Auxiliary. He just returned from China a few weeks ago. He is able to tell not only of the communal life in his part of China (Changshu, Zanzok), but what the war has done to Christian Work, and to China generally; the probable outcome of the war, and the task challenging the Christian Church when peace is restored. He does extensive work among farmers engaged in rice-growing along the various canals and 100 miles inland. Not only is the city of Changshu, where 15th century conditions prevail, interlaced with canals, but throughout the district where Mr. Smith works, which comprises a population of several millions, canals criss-cross the country, and save for narrow streets in the city, all locomotion is by water.

March 22—The Rev. William B. Newell, of Southampton, Long Island, addresses Indians' Hope Association on Indian Reservations of New York State.

March 27 and 28—The Rev. Robert Patton, D.D., and singers from the schools in the South.

April 13 to 19—The Rev. Vincent H. Gowen, D.D., of the Philippines.

†

The Committee on Financial Safeguards keeps pegging away at a job that requires much patience in developing enthusiastic co-operation. Here is a little story that should help. Last week the writer met one of his friends, a Bishop from the mid-west. Two years ago the Bishop suggested to his Council that the treasurer of a certain fund should be bonded. The Bishop's suggestion met with such indignant opposition that the matter was dropped. Two months ago the treasurer died, and is the Council's face red? They cannot find the $70,000 that was in the fund.

†

An interesting visitor to the Diocese last week was the Rt. Rev. Frederick B. Bartlett, D.D., Bishop of Idaho, who for a number of years has been Executive Secretary in charge of all our Domestic Missions. He is resigning this position April 30th.

FREDERICK P. HOUGHTON

CONSECRATION

Of New Delaware Bishop Held in St. John's Cathedral, Wilmington, February 17

BEFORE a congregation of 650 persons, including seventeen bishops and many lesser members of the clergy, the Rev. Dr. Arthur Raymond McKinstry was consecrated Bishop of Delaware in St. John's Cathedral, Wilmington, on February 17, becoming at 43 one of the youngest bishops in the United States.

He was elected last November 15 by a special convention to succeed the late Bishop Philip Cook.

Besides Presiding Bishop Henry St. George Tucker, who was consecrator in the ancient service, Church dignitaries who took part in the rites were Bishops Sterrett of Bethlehem and Maxon of Tennessee, co-consecrators; Goodwin of Virginia and Mitchell of Arkansas, presentors; Manning of New York, Gospeler; Stevens of Los Angeles, Epistler; Oldham of Albany, preacher; Brown of Harrisburg, reader of the Litany, and Lawrence of Western Massachusetts, consentor.

Others taking part were Rev. Dr. Charles L. Pardee, New York; Rev. Joseph H. Earp, New Castle, Del.; Colonel George A. Elliott, of the Standing Committee; Rev. Charles F. Penniman, Wilmington; Rev. Dr. Charles W. Clash, Wilmington; Rev. Dr. Roelif H. Brooks, New York, and Rev. Dr. Richard W. Trapnell, Bayside, N. Y., attending presbyters; the Very Rev. Hiram R. Bennett, dean, master of ceremonies, and the Rev. Mssrs. Charles A. Rantz, Claymont, Del., and Joseph S. Hinks, Milford, Del., marshals.

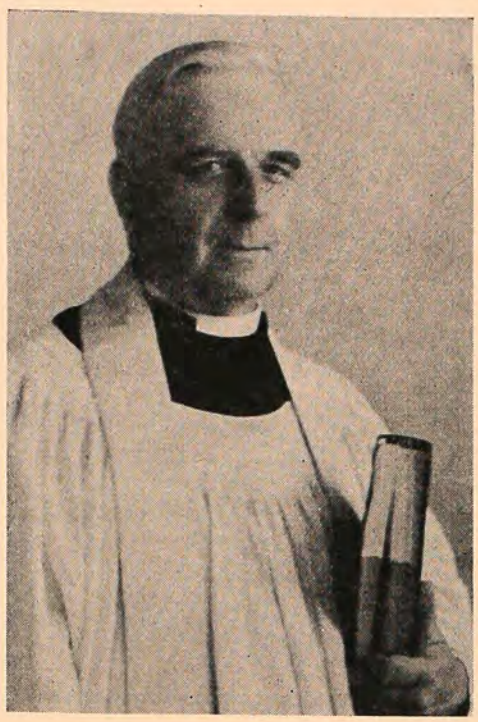
A number of clergy from the Diocese of Pennsylvania attended the consecration.

The new bishop is a native of Greeley, Kans., a graduate of Kenyon College and Bexley Hall. He also studied at Harvard and the Episcopal Theological Seminary. Degrees of doctor of divinity have been conferred upon him by Kenyon College and the University of the South, at Sewanee.

He was ordained a deacon in 1919 by Bishop Reese and was raised to priestly orders in 1920 by Bishop Wise. He has served parishes in Topeka, Cleveland, Albany, San Antonio, and at the time of his election in Delaware he was rector of Christ Church, Nashville, Tenn.

He married Isabelle Van Dorn June 19, 1920. They have five children.

FROM CHOIR STALL TO BISHOP'S CHAIR



BISHOP-ELECT WILLIAM McCLELLAND

Rev. William McClelland, Chosen at Easton, Md., Is 14th Philadelphian to Be Elected to Episcopate

THE REV. WILLIAM McCLELLAND, former curate at St. Matthew's, Francisville, and for eight years rector of St. Luke the Beloved Physician, Bustleton, on January 31 became the fourteenth native of Philadelphia to be elected a bishop of the Church. He was chosen on the fifth ballot to succeed the Rt. Rev. George W. Davenport, D.D., who resigned last year as third bishop of the Diocese of Easton, Md.

Not only is he the fourteenth Philadelphian to be raised to the Episcopate, but he also is the second ex-choir boy of St. Mark's, Frankford, to attain such recognition. Both he and the Rt. Rev. Frank W. Creighton, Bishop-coadjutor of Michigan, sang in St. Mark's in their boyhood.

Mr. McClelland, who for the last fifteen years has been rector of St. Stephen's Church, East New Market, Md., and adjacent parishes—one of the largest rural fields on the Eastern Shore of Maryland—was born in this city January 22, 1883. Graduating from Temple Preparatory School in 1907, he received his A.B. from Harvard in 1911 and his M.A. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1915, a year after his graduation from the Philadelphia Divinity School.

He served at St. Matthew's from 1914 to 1916, when he accepted a call to St. Luke the Beloved Physician, where he remained until 1924, going from there to his work in Maryland.

Mrs. McClelland, whom he married in June, 1914, is the former Miss E. Rozelle Connelly. They have two children.

During his ministry in Easton, Mr. McClelland has served on the Executive Council, the Field Department, the Diocesan Social Service Department and the Provincial Social Service Department, and was Dean of the Southern Convocation of the diocese in 1934. He was a deputy to the General Convention in 1928, 1931, 1934, and 1937.

At the time of his election he was chairman of the Standing Committee of the diocese, chairman of the Department of Finance, a member of the Board of Examining Chaplains and president of the Alumni Association of the Philadelphia Divinity School.

Called upon by the chairman of the Convention, the Rev. Dunbar Gould, D.D., to notify the Convention of his decision, if he saw fit, Mr. McClelland accepted his election subject to confirmation.

At the time of going to press, no date for his consecration had been announced.

DIOCESAN REPO

The institution of the Rev. Arthur Murray (left) as rector of the Church of the Resurrection by Bishop Taitt took place on January 31 and was followed by a reception in the parish house in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Murray

Courtesy of Philadelphia Record

The annual father and son dinner of St. Bartholomew's, Wissinoming, sponsored by the advisory council of the Boys' Club, was held on February 15 in the Parish House. Speakers were J. Bernard Leckey, of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; the rector, the Rev. John R. McGrory, and the Rev. Charles B. DuBell, rector of St. Simeon's.

Cottage meetings in preparation for the Lenten preaching mission throughout the diocese the week of March 19 were held in St. Bartholomew's parish, Wissinoming, on February 9 and 16. The first was led by the Rev. Howard W. Gernand, registrar of the diocese, and the second by the Rev. Robert C. Hubbs, of St. Ambrose Mission.

The Very Rev. Albert Glenn Richards, D.D., dean of DuBose Memorial Theological Seminary, Monteagle, Tenn., preached at both morning and evening services at St. Paul's, Chester, on February 12.

The Rev. Frederic A. McNeil, for three years priest-in-charge at Chadron, Crawford, Holly and Merriman, Missionary District of Western Nebraska, and Rural Dean of Northwestern Nebraska, preached at Old Christ Church Sunday morning, February 12. Mr. McNeil, a native of Arizona, attended University of Arizona and University of the South, Sewanee, where he had his first taste of missionary work among the mountain and cove people of Tennessee. Later he served as missionary in Phoenix and vicinity, was superintendent of the Good Shepherd Orphanage and Mission to the Navajoes, Fort Defiance, Ariz. Mr. McNeil came East to attend the College of Preachers, Washington, D. C. The trip overland by car from Chadron, 1700 miles, was a partial retracing of the trail of his pioneer grandfather who in 1849 went by covered wagon from Kentucky through Nebraska to California. Later the family settled in Phoenix, Ariz., where Mr. McNeil's father published the city's first newspaper. Mr. McNeil's mother was a charter member of Trinity Cathedral at the time of its organization in 1886. Accompanying Mr. McNeil on his trip were Mrs. McNeil, formerly Elizabeth Beecher, daughter of the Bishop of Western Nebraska, and their young daughter, Florence Elizabeth.

The Men's Club of Grace Church, Mt. Airy, altered its usual custom of having an outstanding speaker at its annual dinner on February 13. Instead the club sponsored a special anniversary number of *The Lamp,* the talking magazine. The feature was presented in the church immediately after the dinner by Mrs. H. H. Burrell, its editor-in-chief.

Under the leadership of Eugene Bevans, a Boy Scout troop has been organized at Holy Trinity, Lansdale, where the boys, who must be twelve years of age or older, meet every Friday evening.

W. W. Narramore, Jr., national field secretary of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, addressed a special meeting of men in the parish house of St. Matthew's, Francisville, Tuesday evening, January 24. In the course of his visit to Philadelphia, Mr. Narramore dropped in at the editorial offices of THE CHURCH NEWS for a brief chat.

A turkey dinner, followed by an old-fashioned "swapping" party, was held at the parish house of old St. Peter's on January 26. The affair was sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary.

The Church School of Calvary, Conshohocken, held a supper in the parish house on February 18 for the benefit of the Lenten offering for missions.

The Rev. Shirley Carter Hughson, O.H.C., D.D., of West Park, N. Y., former Superior of the Order of the Holy Cross and at one time connected with St. Mark's, 17th and Locust Streets, on February 26 inaugurated a series of Sunday morning sermons, ending the Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 26, at St. Clement's Church. Father Hughson, who has been in the priesthood more than forty-two years, is widely known in the Church as an author of religious works which have been published both in the United States and in England.

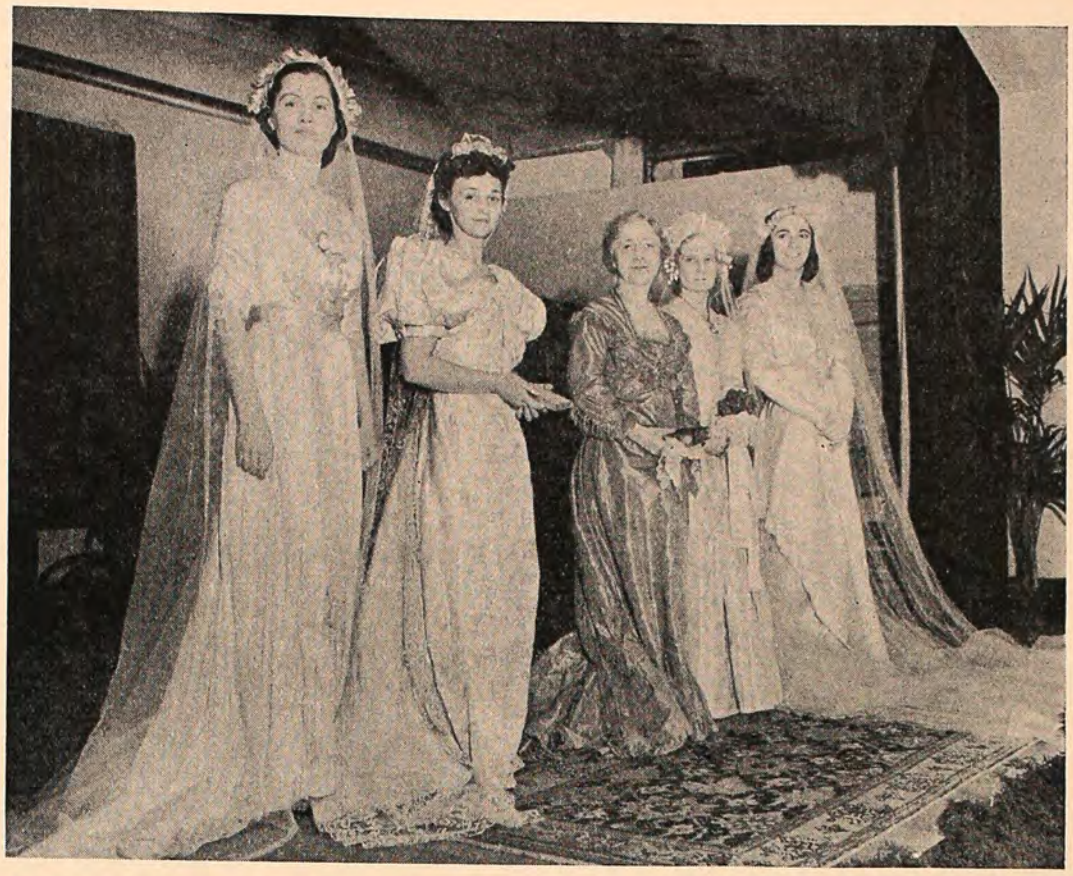
The Rev. Edmund H. Carhart, rector of St. Mark's, Frankford, and the Rev. Leslie T. Gossling, rector of the Church of the Advocate, will exchange pulpits for their mid-week Lenten service on Wednesday evening, March 22, at 7:45. Noonday services are being held at St. Mark's on Fridays throughout the Lenten season. The schedule of preachers for Holy Week noonday services is as follows: Monday, Rev. Percy G. Hall, St. Martin's, Oak Lane; Tuesday, Rev. Reginald G. Davis, Church

of Our Saviour, Jenkintown; Wednesday, Rev. John C. Roak, Gloria Dei (Old Swedes'); Thursday, Rev. Richard T. Lyford, St. Asaph's, Bala; Friday, the rector.

Two of the five boys elevated to the rank of Eagle Scout in the yearly Bucks County Court of Honor at Doylestown on February 12 are members of the choir at St. James', Langhorne. They are J. Thompson Frutchey and Waldo G. Parker, son of the Rev. Waldo D. Parker, of Country Centre Mission.

The Rev. Reuel J. Howe, instructor in charge of clinical training at the Philadelphia Divinity School, was the preacher at Holy Trinity, Lansdale, on Sunday, February 5, when a special offering for the divinity school was taken.

On Tuesday afternoon, February 14, the Associates of the Sisters of St. Margaret held their monthly meeting at St. Margaret's Mission House, 2028 Delancey Street. The Rev. Spence Burton, S.S.J.E., D.D., Chaplain General of the Sisters of St. Margaret, Superior of the Society of St. John the Evangelist, and Suffragan Bishop-elect of Haiti and the Dominican Republic, was the speaker. Fr. Burton returned recently from a five-month stay in China and Japan. He spoke of conditions in the Orient. At the service Fr. Burton received the Rev. Dr. Leicester C. Lewis as Priest-Associate of the Sisters of St. Margaret, and Mrs. Phyllis Dunphy as Associate.



Heirlooms of many varieties made an interesting display at the Early American Fete staged in the parish house by the Woman's Auxiliary of St. John's, Lansdowne, on Friday, February 17. Left to right, in cherished old bridal outfits, are Miss Dorothea Dorman, Mrs. A. H. Ralston, Mrs. Franklin Christopher, and the Misses Florence Conway and Elizabeth Wilson

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The last word in wimples held the interest of Mrs. Roger W. Griswold (left) and Mrs. Murdoch Goodwin (right), while Miss Louise E. Fewell showed another prospective customer a hat for sports wear at the third annual bazaar of Holy Trinity Church at The Barclay on Monday, February 2

Church News Photo

The Men's Club of Holy Trinity, Lansdale, held its fourth annual roast beef supper on Saturday, February 4, to raise money for the purchase of new chairs for the parish house.

Troop 57, Boy Scouts, and Troop 56, Girl Scouts, had a special service at Epiphany, Sherwood, on Lincoln's birthday.

Ardis Alling, young American diseuse, will present a program of costume dramalogues of Palestine at St. Jude and the Nativity on Friday, March 31, at 8 P. M. Miss Alling prepared for her work by living in the Holy Land and making a special study of peoples and places of Biblical association. She brought back a large collection of costumes authentic in every detail. Proceeds of the ticket sale will be added to the Church School Easter offering.

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MARRIAGE CUSTOMS

IT is evident to anyone studying the marriage service in the Prayer Book that the Church has not only tried to make it a beautiful expression of the holiest mood of the bride and the bridegroom, but has deliberately and carefully arranged its ritual words and ceremonial acts so that it will impress upon the company who are gathered together to witness it the seriousness and importance of the step which is being taken.

Beginning with the title of the office, "The Solemnization of Matrimony," and running like a beautiful, recurring melody through the whole service, we find words and phrases that have evidently been selected for their fitness to express the high esteem in which this "honorable estate instituted by God" is held. It is referred to as "holy," and "honorable," and "consecrated," and as a symbol of "the mystical union that is betwixt Christ and his Church." Thus the ceremony itself has been preserved from lightness and vulgarity and invested with due solemnity, without being sombre, or gloomy, or dull.

Recently the Church has tried to reach back before the service itself to prepare the prospective bride and groom for the life upon which they are about to enter. We have discovered that a far more effective method than denouncing divorce is to provide pre-marital instruction that will help to insure the permanence of the union by giving the participants a deeper understanding of its religious significance.

But still more might be done. Those who recall the short speech which Archbishop Davidson of Canterbury made a few years ago to a royal couple after he had blessed them, wish that some such very brief and appropriate fatherly advice might be added by the officiating minister in our American churches. Perhaps it could best be done at the marriage "supper," as is customary in some European countries, along with a few well-chosen jokes. But alas! too often in America the clergy are so absolutely forgotten after the couple leave the church that they are not even included in any of the bridal pictures—as they used to be, and still are in more simple civilizations.

Another valuable religious custom, that fortunately is being revived, is the blessing of the home of the newly-married. Some services have already been provided, but not, so far as we know, in our own Church. For this occasion there is a mine of material ready for the liturgical scholars to work on, including many beautiful poems, a few passages of scripture and many appropriate exclamatory prayers that are used among such poetic people as the Irish, who "bless" every house they enter.

So who will provide us with a brief service of blessing homes, especially the first home of the new bride and groom? Get your picks and shovels (Waterman or Parker), liturgiolists, delve in this mine, and bring out a few precious nuggets for us.

REUNION WITH PRESBYTERIANS

AS this magazine reaches so many of the lay-people in the Diocese, while the national Church papers reach so few, it is well from time to time to call the attention of our readers to matters of importance, which those papers are discussing, but which our readers would not otherwise see.

One of the subjects engaging the attention of the whole Church at present is the matter of reunion, especially the proposed union of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America with our own. The last General Convention appointed a "Commission on Approaches to Unity," under the chairmanship of Bishop Parsons of California, who were directed to negotiate with a similar body from the Presbyterian Church in order to carry out the declared purpose of uniting the two Churches.

The result of the labors of these two commissions is a proposed concordat, which will be presented to the General Convention in 1940, and to the next Lambeth Conference, a body composed of bishops from all the Churches in all the world that are in communion with the Church of England. Details are not possible here, but, in general, the purpose of our commission has been to direct the vague aspirations after unity so common among us to some definite objective.

We cannot on this page discuss either the merits or demerits of the proposal. The majority of Presbyterians are said to be likely to support it. Many also in the Episcopal Church endorse it "in principle." The American Church Union, composed of Episcopalians who are generally spoken of as High Churchmen, issued a statement early in January opposing it. In addition there is a large group in the Church who are not much interested, and whose feelings toward this are the same as those of Dean Inge toward a similar proposal for union of the Church of England and the

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THE SANCTUARY OF DEVOTION

Prepared by D. WILMOT GATESON, D.D.,
Rector, Church of the Saviour

"Devotio nihil aliud esse videtur quam voluntas quaedam prompte trahendi se ad ea quae pertinent ad Dei famulatum." (Devotion seems to be nothing else than a certain will to give oneself readily to those things which pertain to waiting upon God.) —Thomas Aquinas: Summa.

"True devotion springs from the will: it is the choice and love of the highest good manifested to the soul, and, wherever the will of man is found choosing and adhering to the highest known ideal of good, there is a true child of God."—C. Bodington: Books of Devotion.

FOR GROWNUPS

"When I pray, I speak to God. Therefore I must try to remember that I am in the presence of God, and that God is very near to me.

God is very great and good, but He listens to my prayers because He loves me. God answers my prayers.

When I pray I speak to God. But sometimes God speaks to me. Therefore I must listen for His voice.

O God, Thou art my God, early will I seek Thee. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O God, I thank Thee for the opportunities of every day. May I know that Thou art with me every hour, helping to keep me from all sin and sefishness and anxiety. Make me truthful, pure, obedient and unselfish. Bless all my relations and friends. May we so love and serve Thee, and our neighbors, near and far, and pray for peace upon the earth.

Glory be to God who made me.

Glory be to Jesus Who redeemed me.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit Who sanctifieth me.

O Heavenly Father, I love Thee for that Thou dost watch over me and my dear ones, and influence us to keep us from all wrong and harm, and give us all the blessings of life. May I wake in the morning with praise on my lips and a smile on my face, and at night lie down in peace with a thankful heart.

Remember, Christian soul, that thou hast this day and every day of thy life, God to glorify, Jesus to imitate, a soul to save, a body to mortify, sins to repent of, virtues to acquire, Hell to avoid, Heaven to gain, Eternity to prepare for, time to profit by, neighbors to edify, the world to convert, instincts to control, passions to subdue, death, perhaps, to suffer, judgment to undergo.

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.

AN ACT OF FAITH

O my God, I believe in Thee and Thy Church; Thou canst heal and save me, and Thy Church can save the world.

AN ACT OF HOPE

O my God, I hope in Thee, for grace and power; Thou art my Hope and the Hope of humanity; I will not despair.

AN ACT OF CHARITY

O my God, I love Thee with my whole heart, and for Thy sake I shall love my neighbor as myself. Help me to love better and to serve more.

FOR CHILDREN

A little Boy of heavenly birth
Came down to find His ball, the earth,
Which sin had cast away.
Come, fellows, let us one and all
Pitch in and get Him back His ball.

Morning Prayer

Dear Lord Jesus, Who from childhood went about doing good on Thy Heavenly Father's business; help me to feel Thy presence and to go about doing good to others. May I learn from Thee the help that comes from God and have a heart that is true and kind. Teach me to know Thee more clearly, love Thee more dearly and follow Thee more nearly, this day and all the days of my life.

Saviour, teach me, day by day,
Love's sweet lesson to obey;
Sweeter lesson cannot be,
Loving Him Who first loved me.

With a childlike heart of love,
At Thy bidding may I move;
Prompt to serve and follow Thee,
Loving Him Who first loved me.

Rule of Prayer

Knees on the ground; eyes on the cross, hearts in heaven.

Evening Prayer

Loving Father in Heaven, I close my eyes for sleep and know that Thy Divine Spirit is all about me and within me. May the thought of Thee make my sleep restful and pure, so that I may awake stronger in body and mind, and more eager to do Thy will. Thou givest to Thy beloved one sleep. May my last thoughts be of Thee; and, like Jesus, I commend my spirit into Thy hands this night and always.

God that madest earth and heaven,
Darkness and light;
Who for toil the day hast given,
For rest the night,
May Thine angel guards defend me,
Slumber sweet Thy mercy send me,
Holy dreams and hopes attend me,
This livelong night.

ORGANS AND ORGAN PLAYING

A Brief But Inclusive Glance Over 1500 Years in the Use And Development of This Versatile Instrument

By HAROLD W. GILBERT

Organ in the Minoriten-Kirche in Bonn, at which Beethoven presided at the age of eleven years.

IT is not known exactly when organ playing came into use for religious purposes, but according to a Spanish bishop who flourished in the middle of the Fifth Century, organs were in common use in churches at that time. In the Eighth and Ninth Centuries, organs were being installed in places of worship in France, Germany and England.

The instruments of these early days must have been very ungainly. An authentic record describing the organ in the Cathedral at Magdeburg in the Eleventh Century states that the keys were three inches wide, and had to be struck with hammers to make them produce the tones. The Winchester Cathedral organ of that period required the services of ten men to pump the air into its 400 pipes, while two organists manipulated the keys. It is a long step from such crude instruments to modern organs which are electrically controlled, and which perform almost miraculous changes of tonal color at the touch of a button.

The recognized centers of organ virtuosity have shifted, through the years, from one country to another. The Netherlands enjoyed supremacy for a time, then Italy and Germany. More recently, France has led the world in this art. England has never excelled in organ playing, although she has always been well to the fore in organ building.

At the period when Bach was developing grand organ music based upon the German Chorale, English organists were merely duplicating the simple voice parts in their organ accompaniments. England had passed through the rigours of the Great Rebellion, during which time all the fine organs of that country had been destroyed and their pipes melted to be made into bullets. Following the Restoration, French ideas of dainty orchestral accompaniments had been introduced into English Church music. Numerous violins supplied the color, and the organ played an inconspicuous part. No organ accompaniments were provided for English Church music until Vincent Novello published his collection, called "Novello's Sacred Music," in 1811. From then onward, organ accompaniment in England developed along independent lines.

"Free accompaniment" to church music is today the accepted thing. Composers are no longer satisfied to have the organ accompaniment simply duplicate the voice parts. It must have its own special share in enhancing the beauty of the composition, making free use of the technique that is characteristic of the instrument. Sometimes the result is in the direction of simplification; at other times the accompaniment becomes elaborate. The accompaniments of some modern church music cannot be played with any degree of satisfaction except on a modern organ.

It is hard to keep pace with the new trends in organ construction. Experimenting is the modern fad, and it is unquestionably developing valuable theories. But these theories pertain chiefly to tonal effects, not to mechanical matters. New organs are capable of producing tone combinations heretofore unheard, but the technique of organ playing has not changed since the introduction of electric mechanism—it has improved.

Organ playing today comes under two classifications — service playing and concert playing. Virtuoso recitalists are springing up in all quarters. America is producing some of the finest. Until recently, any foreign tours by organ recitalists were undertaken only by European organists. But in these days, American recitalists are appearing in European centers, where they are well received.

Service playing is an art in itself. Organ virtuosity does not connote capability as a church organist. Accompaniment to congregational hymn singing, for example, requires almost the gift of intuition. Few organists excel in this field. The proper adjustment of organ tone quality to choir or congregational voices is more important than the control of volume. Discrimination in the choice of tonal effects and unfailing good judgment in the choice of tempo, pulsation, phrasing—these things determine the ability of the organist who plays service music.

ST. PAUL'S, ARAMINGO, DEDICATES NEW ORGAN

A pipe organ designed by the famous Belgian organist, Charles M. Courboin, for a European tour on which it was never taken, has found a permanent home in St. Paul's, Aramingo, where it was dedicated by Bishop Taitt on February 19. At the same service the Rev. William M. Sharp presented a class of twenty-one for confirmation.

The organ was built in the organ department of the Wanamaker store in 1928 for the late Rodman Wanamaker, who planned to take it to Europe on a concert tour, together with part of his splendid collection of antique stringed instruments. Plans for the tour were cancelled by Mr. Wanamaker's death February 11, 1929.

The pipes, of which there are seven ranks encased in two large chests, were made by the Welte-Mignon Company, of New York. The console is of American walnut, with two manuals and a pedal scale. The action is completely electric.

HOBART HONORS REV. I. A. McGREW

The Rev. Irving A. McGrew, former rector of Epiphany, Germantown, and since 1928 chaplain and student pastor at Hobart College, Geneva, N. Y., and Mrs. McGrew were honored last month by the trustees of the college in a special resolution of affection and appreciation, which was forwarded to them at Birdsboro, in the Diocese of Bethlehem, where Mr. McGrew became rector of St. Michael's Church early in January.

The resolution read: "The departure of Mr. and Mrs. McGrew means for our community the loss of a student pastor and of the most friendly and hospitable family in our community. In the circle of personal friends at Hobart College and in Geneva, this loss will be an irreparable one. We feel presumptuous in attempting to describe the appreciation and gratitude of his friends for his many years of wholehearted devotion to the college. We do wish to say, however, that we have not discovered any equal for the unselfish, wholehearted friendliness of Mr. and Mrs. McGrew, who have never spared themselves in bringing comfort and happiness to others. We, therefore, wish to express our affectionate appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. McGrew and to convey to them our best wishes for increasing happiness in their new field."

CATHEDRAL NOTES

Deaconess Nutter, of the Cathedral Staff, is now devoting part of her time to work in connection with St. Mary Pro-Cathedral. It is felt that a woman worker might surmount some of the barriers that hamper the work of a priest in a district in which family life is restricted for the most part to small apartments or rooming houses.

Sunday afternoon services at 4 o'clock are being featured in Lent at the Cathedral. Among the choirs assisting in the services are St. Alban's, Roxborough; St. Timothy's, Christ and St. Michael's, St. Mary Pro-Cathedral and St. Stephen's, Wissahickon. The instructions are specially adapted to young people, as the class now being prepared for confirmation is attending. Father Ball is making the addresses.

Associates of the Cathedral are reminded that Bishop Taitt and the Cathedral Chapter are counting on their loyal support and interest in the work of the Cathedral. It is hoped that the general work of the Church, in the diocesan and national organizations, will more and more be represented in meetings and services at the Cathedral, to which the Associates are invited and for which their prayers are asked. Their contributions and dues of one dollar or more for the support of these activities also are earnestly requested and may be sent to the treasurer, Louis B. Runk, 1632 Chestnut Street. Checks should be drawn to the Cathedral Church of Christ, L. B. Runk, Treasurer.

The Creed is not a theological statement; it is a declaration of fact concerning the Revelation which is not only the reason for being of the Church, but the foundation upon which all the Church's teaching rests.

—Bishop Lloyd.

ARMENIAN CHOIR HAS ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

A colorful and impressive service marking the tenth anniversary of St. Gregory's Armenian Apostolic Church choir took place in St. Mary Pro-Cathedral, Broad and South Streets, Sunday, February 5, when the Most Rev. Mampre Calfayan, acting prelate of the Armenian Apostolic Church of North and South America, pontificated in the Mass.

The choir of forty voices under the direction of Minas Maloomian was assisted by Miss Marie Arakian, soprano, and Yervant Iskandarian, tenor, both of New York. Miss M. Chirkin was at the organ.

The climax of the celebration occurred that evening at a banquet at the Broadwood Hotel. In addition to the Armenian clergy, the Rev. Dr. William C. Emhardt, vicar of St. Mary Pro-Cathedral, was an honored guest.

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WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

"IT is up to the women of the Church to permeate the Church with the meaning of the Madras Conference. For the women are the backbone of the missionary societies and church groups," Dr. Leslie Moss said at the Post-Madras Conference here last month.

We women can help in the following ways:

1. Become intelligent ourselves on the Madras Conference. Read the material being printed and Basil Matthews' book, *Through Tragedy to Triumph*, which will come off the press by July, 1939. The pamphlet, *How to Use*, and Mr. Matthews' book should be used side by side, as the two form a basis of interest and comprehensive study of the Madras Conference.

Through Tragedy to Triumph: 60c paper bound; $1.00, cloth.

How to Use—15c.

Both may be purchased from Foreign Mission Conference of North America, 150 Fifth Ave., New York.

2. Help persuade your pastor to preach on some of the thoughts presented at the Conference.

3. Undertake a period of four or six discussion groups with one of your group leading and using Mr. Matthews' illuminating book. Bring in a large number of people to consider the points of the Conference.

4. Put your minds to the task of forming a Christian and international order of peace. The Christian Church must build a new conception of what the Christian new world order should be. "The fullest realization of the life of Christ is an area of international relationship, a corporate union." A suggestion is an international order in which the nations of the world will unite as our forty-eight sovereign states have united under one government. To begin with there must be co-operation among groups in a given community; co-operation among groups in a given country; co-operation between church and state; co-operation among nations. We can't wait until the crisis to build. In planning out the Christian tasks for their countries, missions and churches must co-operate to see that the plan is worked out. However, with the technical aspects of government the Church is not qualified to deal.

5. Study the pamphlet on international anarchy. This pamphlet does not claim to be a conclusive statement, but is presented with the hope that it will form a basis of discussion. Give this to groups interested in peace and war. Challenge the people to come back into the Church to study the situation from the Christian angle.

6. Study the area of program—the specific and difficult requisitions for missionaries who must be colleagues of the people, servants of the Church.

The missionaries of tomorrow—"fellowship ambassadors"—must be persons who have peculiar ability to sympathize with and understand the people around them, and to serve. For years now we have not been sending younger missionaries in ratio to the numbers of missionaries who have been giving faithful service, and who are not growing any younger.

The Post Madras Conference leaders ask us to look for young men and women with important and fertile possibilities for foreign service work. There are young people in your own church right now who are fitted in personality, mentality and spirituality for this work. It takes courage, vision, prayer and imagination to look for the kind of missionary needed today to serve God's cause in the face of world conditions and world psychology.

"THE Church in Japan is a distinct and encouraging sign of the success of the modern missionary movement," said the Rev. John Masami Sobagaki, of Osaka, Japan, in speaking to the Foreign Committee of the Woman's Auxiliary at its meeting in Church House on Wednesday, February 15.

While he stressed the important role of foreign missionaries in advancing the Kingdom of Christ in Japan, he pointed out the great strides made in the missionary field in his country by Japanese Christian workers under the administration of native bishops in the two Japanese dioceses of the Nippon Seikokwai (Holy Catholic Church of Japan).

"In 1923, when the two Japanese dioceses under Japanese bishops came into being, the total number of active church members in these two dioceses of Tokyo and Osaka was 6,489," said Mr. Sobagaki. "By 1935 the number had grown to 9,632—an increase of 48 per cent in thirteen years; while the other dioceses during these years increased from 13,737 to 18,239—a 33 per cent growth.

JUNIOR WOMAN'S AUXILIARY NEWS

THE set-up of the national executive board of the Woman's Auxiliary and the special functions of its various committees were explained by Mrs. John E. Hill, Third Province representative on the board, at the regular monthly meeting of the Junior Woman's Auxiliary at Church House, Wednesday evening, February 8.

The highest type of Christian womanhood is represented on the board, Mrs. Hill pointed out. Most of them are college trained and of notable cultural attainments.

The exercise of tolerance and Christian friendliness in our attitude toward Jewish refugees from the countries where that race is under persecution and toward their people in our own communities were urged by Mrs. Hill, who reminded the gathering of the action of the national board of the Woman's Auxiliary.

"The women of the Church are striving to deepen their spiritual lives," she said. "How may we make the principles of God the principles of the world in which we live?"

In line with the Church's interest in health and social problems, J. Lawrence Solly, executive secretary of the Travelers' Aid Society, spoke in the interest of the United Campaign. He discussed the traveler as a social problem with emphasis on runaway children who come under the society's care.

The resignation of Mrs. Charles LaRoche as chairman of the Motor Corps was announced by the president. Until the appointment of her successor, requests for drivers will be filled by the Woman's Auxiliary office in Church House.

The appointment of Miss Ray Phillips, of the Church of the Incarnation, Drexel Hill, as United Thank Offering custodian of the Diocesan Junior Woman's Auxiliary was announced. Miss Phillips will endeavor to have all junior groups share in the U. T. O., and by meeting with the chairman of each group will try to carry out a strenuous and enthusiastic program before the April in-

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DEPARTMENT

Edited by
DOROTHY SIBLEY HOPKINS

"These figures indicate that the advance of the Church has been more rapid under the leadership of the native bishops. By speaking thus I do not mean that we do not need any foreign missionaries, but simply that the form under which the works of the missionaries are carried on is different from that of the earlier days.

"Please do not misunderstand this point. The trouble is this: Even today it is very hard for non-Christian people to distinguish between Christianity and Western civilization. Christianity came to Japan with Western civilization, and the missionaries are only a fraction of the great number of men and women who go to the East on business, in the professions and along all the well-trodden roads on which people of the nations walk and meet one another. And the Japanese people look at them all as Christians.

"Some of them are. There is hardly any witness that compares with the Christian layman in business or official life who is not afraid to make his ordinary life the instrument of his testimony. More of them, perhaps, have been Christians and have lost the way.

"The curious artificiality of the Western peoples' life in the East plays havoc with many who perhaps have been well enough grounded to stand by themselves in an atmosphere where conventions are opposed to outspoken Christian profession. Through such nominal Christians and their misrepresentation of Christianity, the people cannot realize what Christianity really means. So everything depends upon the quality of life manifested by those who have been called together into the fellowship of the Church, not by their common disposition, but by their sacrifice and obedience."

Mr. Sobagaki admitted painting a dark picture, but explained that he did so to offset a widespread impression that missionary work in Japan was common in nature with the work in other fields. He had no intention of minimizing the work of Western missionaries in Japan, without whose help and encouragement the native Japanese mission workers would fail, he declared.

Mr. Sobagaki was born in a Christian family, his father being rector of Christ Church, Osaka. He himself is curate of St. John's Church, Osaka, where he was ordained to the diaconate by Bishop Naide in 1936 before coming to the United States to attend Virginia Theological Seminary. At present he is enrolled at General Theological Seminary in New York. Mr. Sobagaki is a graduate of St. Paul's University and Central Theological Seminary, both in Tokyo. He is 27 years old.

This was his second visit to Philadelphia, his first being on January 8 when he preached at St. Giles' Chapel, Stonehurst, for his former classmate, the Rev. Thomas Norman Mason, vicar.

THE Executive Board of the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council has adopted the following resolution which the Board wishes read "to all branches of the Auxiliary and other groups of women in the parishes, and, as far as possible, to all the clergy."

"We, the Executive Board of the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council, representing the women of the Episcopal Church all over the world, desire to express our grief and dismay at the persecution of the Jewish people in Central Europe.

"At this Christmas Season, when we remember a Jewish family for whom there was no room in the inn at Bethlehem, we are sorrowfully aware of the countless numbers of their race who are today seeking shelter for themselves and their children.

"We call upon the women throughout the Church to celebrate the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ by showing in simple, friendly ways their sympathy with their Jewish neighbors and by making welcome into their communities, schools and homes, refugees who have come to this country. We also urge them to promote international government action for the relief of refugees and to work for a larger measure of justice and consideration for all Jews and other minority groups in our national life."

At the board meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Pennsylvania on February 7 the

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The CHURCH NEWS

IMPRESSIONS

Jotted Down Staccato at Post Madras Conference

By MRS. MARMADUKE TILDEN

"The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord."

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"Rise up, O men of God, have done with lesser things."

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"Oh! Where are kings and empires now
Of old that went and came?
But, Lord, Thy Church is praying yet
A thousand years the same!"

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Stirring truths . . . sung by those gathered in Holy Church to hear about Madras.

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Dr. Leslie B. Moss, American delegate: "World missionary conference at Madras, India, December 12 to 29, 1938, on its knees before the Lord . . . natural setting of rare beauty . . . seventeen days, 470 delegates . . . family of God on earth in the colors in which God made them . . . black, brown, red, yellow, white . . . unforgettable experience . . . 73 lands . . . 117 tongues represented . . . English the official language of the conference. . . ."

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Evangelizing the world is a common task . . . no longer "sending" and "receiving" countries . . . "ecumenical or universal movement" substituted for phrase, "foreign missions" . . . It is the world mission of the whole Church . . . One speaks now of the "younger" and the "older" churches . . . Missionaries of the future probably will be known as "colleagues." . . .

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Prof. Gonzalo B. Carmago . . . a brilliant Mexican leader . . . interpreted very ably the new world conception of the missionary enterprise . . . fellowship of all churches . . . "Whether the church be young or old, it needs and will need the fellowship and help of the other churches . . . colleagues in the great work . . ."

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Prof. P. C. Hsu . . . second generation Christian . . . outstanding leader in China . . . one of Chinese delegates at Madras . . . professor of philosophy at University of Shanghai . . . "It is no easy task to interpret

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LENTEN PREACHING MISSION NEARS

Diocese Stands on the Brink of a Great Spiritual Adventure to Unite Thousands in Prayer and Praise

ONE hundred and fifty-two members of the clergy sat down at meat with their host, the Bishop, in Church House on Monday, February 20, to discuss the final phases of their preparation for the diocese-wide Lenten Preaching Mission to be held the week of March 19.

The luncheon, marking the Bishop's annual pre-Lenten day for the clergy, followed a celebration of the Holy Communion and a quiet hour in Holy Trinity Church. The Bishop was the celebrant, assisted by the Rev. Dr. E. Frank Salmon, rector of Holy Trinity; the Rev. Stanley R. West, rector of Calvary, Conshohocken, and the Rev. Richard J. Morris, secretary to the Bishop.

Since the luncheon-meeting was devoted to planning for the mission, the Bishop turned the chair over to the Very Rev. Stanley V. Wilcox, Dean of Chester Convocation and chairman of the Commission on Evangelism, which with the Commission on the Forward Movement forms a joint commission to promote the mission.

Dean Wilcox called upon Dr. Salmon to speak briefly on "Self-examination as a Preparation for the Missioner."

"The trouble with self-examination," said Dr. Salmon, "seems to be that it never teaches us anything about ourselves that we do not already know. And it is usually the things we don't know about ourselves that are most in need of fixing."

The Rev. Wallace E. Conkling, of St. Luke's, Germantown, who has repeatedly called the mission project "a real answer to prayer" and an idea "that thrills me more than anything else has done in years," spoke.

"The whole idea of the mission," said Father Conkling, "is uniting in something that is in its very essence a spiritual venture. It is what I have hoped and prayed for for more than ten years."

The entire program of the mission, which is designed to bring thousands of people all over the diocese into unity of thought, voice and worship —singing the same hymns, saying the same prayers, and hearing the same instruction and sermon topics at the same moment — was laid out by Father Conkling, who pointed out that the whole purpose and intent of the plan would be defeated if the program were altered.

A quiet day for the clergy at St. George's, Ardmore, Tuesday, March 14, with the Rev. William M. V. Hoffman, Jr., S.S.J.E., leading three meditations, beginning at 10 or 10:30 A. M., was announced. The attending clergy will be guests of the Rev. Frederick E. Seymour at luncheon.

In stressing the need for wide publicity, the Rev. Dr. John K. Shryock, co-chairman with Dean Wilcox, urged the clergy not to hesitate to sacrifice a little dignity if need be to advertise the project. "We are too dignified, as it is," he said. "No justifiable means of putting the mission plan before the entire community should be neglected."

Interest in the Lenten preaching mission is not confined to our own diocese, it was learned the other day, when the Rev. Dr. John K. Shryock received a letter from Mrs. John C. Taylor, Norfolk, Va. Mrs. Taylor, more than eighty years old, said she had read of the plans for the mission in *The Southern Churchman.* She asked Dr. Shryock for the date of the mission, so that she might remember it in her prayers.

Better to be a man and be crucified than to be a coward and be damned.
—*Bishop Jenkins.*

Daily Prayer for the Mission

Have mercy, Good Lord, on all in this diocese during the special season of prayer and consecration of this Mission. Let Thy Spirit be poured out among us; the Spirit of light and truth, to shed abroad in our hearts holiness, wisdom, peace and love; the Spirit of grace and supplication to teach us earnestly to pray unto Thee. Let Thy blessing rest on every heart, that all may be brought unto Thee in faith and love; through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

Whoopee-e, Fellahs! Camp Taitt's Getting BIG NEW POOL

"COME on in, boys, the water's fine!"

That will be the cry at Camp Taitt, near Quakertown, next Summer. And when they say the water's fine they will mean just that because a new swimming pool, 75 feet long by 30 feet wide, complete with a filtration system, will have been installed by Nason & Cullen, contractors, when the camp opens.

Hitherto all swimming and other aquatic activities have taken place in and on Tohickon Creek, which flows through the camp, but the pool makes possible a more complete program of water sports, carnivals and tournaments than ever before. It will accommodate 125 boys.

Other innovations planned for this year are electric lighting, a new shower and lavatory system, new window screens, and painting and renovation of all buildings. The camp accommodations are being augmented to handle a maximum of 125 boys. Last year only 70 boys could be accommodated at one time.

The complete staff of the 1938 camp is returning—all ten of them—and ten new staff members are being added. One-third of the 1939 staff will be college graduates. Bishop Taitt, for whom the camp is named, is honorary chairman of the board.

For the first time the camp will have a full-fledged physician as medical officer instead of a medical student. The medical officer this year will be Dr. Willard Tice, of Quakertown. Among those who will serve as chaplains are the Rev. T. Norman Mason, of St. Giles', Stonehurst; the Rev. William Powell, St. Faith's, Brookline; Captain Christopher Atkinson, Church Army, and the Rev. William P. C. Loane, Incarnation, Drexel Hill.

New activities scheduled for 1939 include sound motion pictures, which have been impossible hitherto because the camp was not electrified; a course in radio construction, using the latest advances in equipment and material; a nature study laboratory, equipped with microscopes and field glasses. The crafts program has been enlarged to include plastics, clay modeling, pottery, felt craft and metal craft.

Information about reservations may be obtained from Robert E. Lenhard, director, 246 South 39th Street, or at Church House, 202 South 19th Street.

VISITORS FROM THE MISSION FIELDS

Mrs. Burke Pictures Life at Far-Off Ft. Yukon and Needs of Its People

THE quest for a doctor to take the place of the late Dr. Grafton Burke at Hudson Stuck Memorial Hospital, Fort Yukon, Alaska, is ended. The National Council has appointed Dr. Herrick J. Aldrich, of Watertown, S. D., to the post which has been vacant since Dr. Burke's death last Summer.

Mrs. Burke made this announcement to THE CHURCH NEWS on her latest visit in the diocese. She is on a speaking tour endeavoring to raise a substantial fund as a memorial to Dr. Burke to carry on the work of the hospital on the Arctic Circle deep in the interior of Alaska, where he labored for thirty years.

When Dr. Aldrich goes to Fort Yukon, Mrs. Burke said, he will make it a honeymoon journey, and his bride will find the task of housekeeping simplified by the frigid-air Nature has placed at her kitchen door.

Dr. Aldrich will find a job worthy of his best efforts, for tuberculosis is rampant among the Indians of Alaska. Eyes and teeth also demand much of the doctor's attention, Mrs. Burke said.

In describing the work of the hospital before a large assemblage at the missionary mass meeting sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary of the South Philadelphia Convocation at St. Mary Pro-Cathedral on February 13, Mrs. Burke told the story of Margaret, an Indian woman, whose husband brought her to Fort Yukon nearer dead than alive from the ravages of the white plague. Ten days were spent on the trail to reach the hospital. When she was admitted, Margaret weighed only seventy pounds.

Dr. Burke performed an emergency operation. For two years she remained. Finally word was sent to her husband that he might take her home.

Several weeks later the husband arrived. Great excitement prevailed as Margaret prepared to depart from the hospital, completely restored to health. Her husband went into the ward. Presently he came out, a look of profound disappointment on his face. "Not there," he mourned.

Accompanied by a nurse, he returned to the ward where Margaret was nearly in hysterics, regarding as a huge joke his inability to recognize her. She looked so different than she did when he left her there two years before that he didn't know her. She weighed 140 pounds, just double her weight on the day of her admission.

This and other anecdotes, touching upon the deeply human side of the work among natives and whites in the 200,000 square-mile area served by the hospital, were related by Mrs. Burke. She also told many little incidents of the religious life of the community at Fort Yukon.

There was the eighty-year-old man who hadn't been in church for sixty years. He came to one of the mission services, but didn't join in the singing because the only hymn he knew was one he learned at his mother's knee. He found that hymn again at Fort Yukon.

There was the little Indian girl whose case was hopeless. Nurses and others at the hospital took turns telling her stories. But when she told them of the white moccasins and the white dress her mother was making for her to wear "when I go to see Jesus," the radiance of her smile was like a glorious ray from Heaven.

Then there was the family that journeyed 375 miles to have their smallest child baptized. And the Indian chief who heard a radio for the first time at the mission. And the Sunday School children working hard to fill their Lenten mite boxes. And the same children sending a gift box to suffering children in China, and receiving a wonderful Christmas box in return. And the children learning their A-B-C's from the label of a flour sack stretched across the broadest part of another child's anatomy by accident of manufacture when the sack was transformed into a pair of pajamas.

When she first went to Alaska thirty years ago the death rate was higher than the birth rate, but Dr. Burke's unrelenting battle against disease through three decades turned the tide, and the record is reversed now.

Under the watchful eye of the staff, the children and their elders are learning a high standing of living—a Christian standard—cleanliness and health and faith.

This is the work for which Mrs. Burke seeks support, the lack of which broke the great heart of her husband.

Fire at St. Elizabeth's in S. Dakota Described by Rev. John B. Clark

FORTY-FIVE Indian girls and four members of the staff clad only in night clothing escaped when flames destroyed two buildings at St. Elizabeth's School, near Wakpala, on the Standing Rock Reservation, in South Dakota, while the temperature hovered at 35 degrees below zero on the night of February 7.

First news of this near-tragedy of the Indian mission field came to the diocese from Bishop Roberts, who had just left here for a speaking engagement in Florida. He received word there.

It wasn't until the visit of the Rev. John B. Clark, superintending presbyter of the Standing Rock Mission, that details of the fire were known here. Mr. Clark spoke to the Indians' Hope Association in Church House on Ash Wednesday.

Although the buildings were insured for $14,500, Mr. Clark said, it will cost at least $30,000 to rebuild, perhaps more. The National Council already has authorized Bishop Roberts to go ahead and erect new buildings.

On his trip East, Mr. Clark said, he planned to make an appeal for money with which to build a much-needed gymnasium at St. Elizabeth's, but the news of the fire shattered that dream for the present. It is much more important that the school, which is really a home for orphans, be relocated where good water is available.

Meanwhile, the school is overcrowded, with eighty boys and girls living in restricted quarters. This condition has become more acute, of course, since the fire reduced available housing space by more than fifty per cent.

Only the small children now attend classes at St. Elizabeth's, Mr. Clark said, the older children going by bus to the public school in nearby Wakpala, where their tuition is paid by the Government.

Mr. Clark also described the effect of Christian training on the Dakota Indians, citing the case of the Rev. Sidney Bearsheart, son of a native Indian priest.

As a young man Sidney Bearsheart was a cattleman, who was so proud

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MISSIONS and sacrificial giving in the Lenten season were the keynotes at three Church School association meetings in the diocese last month.

First was that of the Germantown Church School Association, which was held at Christ Church and St. Michael's on February 6. An interesting exhibit of projects of Church Schools was on view in the parish house before the supper-meeting.

Among the items shown were a large cross made of mite boxes; a "missionary automobile" from Epiphany, Germantown, illustrated on this page, and a project by the children of Christ Church and St. Michael's representing steps leading to the Cross and the highest degree of Christian fellowship.

The Rev. Vernon C. McMaster, of the national Department of Religious Education, was the principal speaker at the supper-meeting. His topic was "Making Teaching Effective." Joseph R. Sumner presided.

A period of meditation and prayer, conducted by the rector, the Rev. W.

The first Children's Mite Box Offering, which since has been the source of $12,000,000, was received at St. John's, Bala-Cynwyd, in 1877, where the idea was introduced by John Marston, a vestryman. Here is a re-enactment of that sixty-two-year-old event by children of today. At left are the Rev. Melville B. Gurley, priest in charge, and M. Randall Marston, Jr., great-grandson of John Marston **Church News Photo**

DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Conducted by
ELIZABETH FRAZIER
Field Secretary

Hamilton Aulenbach, ended the meeting.

A lively discussion on "Lent in the Church School," led by the Rev. Charles S. Martin, chairman of the diocesan Department of Religious Education and chaplain of Episcopal Academy, marked the meeting of the recently revived West Philadelphia Church School Teachers Association at St. Paul's, Overbrook, on February 9. One hundred and thirty persons attended.

The discussion continued long after the meeting adjourned and included ways of raising the Lenten offering.

On the discussion panel with Mr. Martin were Miss Jane Welte, of the Chapel of the Mediator; Miss Gwendolyn Miles, director of religious education, Holy Trinity Church; and Miss Dorothy Scott, director of religious education, St. Mary's, Ardmore.

Supper was served at 6:30 after a devotional service conducted by the Rev. Chauncey E. Snowden, rector.

Twenty-two Church Schools were represented at the pre-Lenten dedication service of the Southwestern Sunday School Association at St. John's, Lansdowne, Sunday afternoon, February 19. The purpose of the service was to prepare teachers and pupils of Church Schools represented in the Southwestern part of the Chester Convocation for sacrificial giving during Lent.

The Junior Choir of St. John's led a colorful procession in which fifteen clergymen and vested units from seventeen Church Schools marched.

The service was conducted by the Very Rev. Stanley V. Wilcox, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Charles E. Tuke, rector, and the Rev. Olin B. G. Lager, curate of St. John's, and the Rev. George W. Barnes, rector of St. Stephen's, Clifton Heights. Dr. Tuke preached.

After the blessing of the Lenten Mite Boxes by Dean Wilcox, representatives of the Church Schools went forward and received them from Freas B. Snyder, president of the association.

UNDER the chairmanship of the Very Rev. N. B. Groton, Dean of the Norristown Convocation, the Department of Religious Education is planning a summer conference to be held in the last week of June. The place has not yet been decided.

The conference will be in part a preparation for the 1939 Advanced Conference of the Province of Washington which will be held at Sweet Briar, Va., July 3 to July 14. This conference, sponsored by the Provincial Commission on Religious Education, will be headed by the Rt. Rev. R. E. L. Strider, D.D., Bishop of West Virginia, president. The Very Rev. W. E. Rollins, Dean of Virginia Theological Seminary, is vice-president, and the Rev. Lewis Carter Harrison, of Brook Hill, Va., is secretary.

The conference will be a ten-day school for clerical and lay workers in the Church, and the program will be run on the seminar system.

Besides the officers before named, members of the governing board are Dean Groton, chairman, Finance Committee; the Rev. Alexander C. Zabriskie, S.T.D., professor of medieval and modern Church history, Virginia Theological Seminary, chairman, Program Committee; the Rev. Robert A. Magill, Lynchburg, Va., chairman, Administration Committee, and the Rev. Dr. Oliver J. Hart, Washington, chairman, Publicity Committee.

LESSON BOARD'S WORK RECEIVES HIGH PRAISE

The annual meeting of the Joint Diocesan Lesson Board was held on January 23, with Bishop Taitt, its president, in the chair.

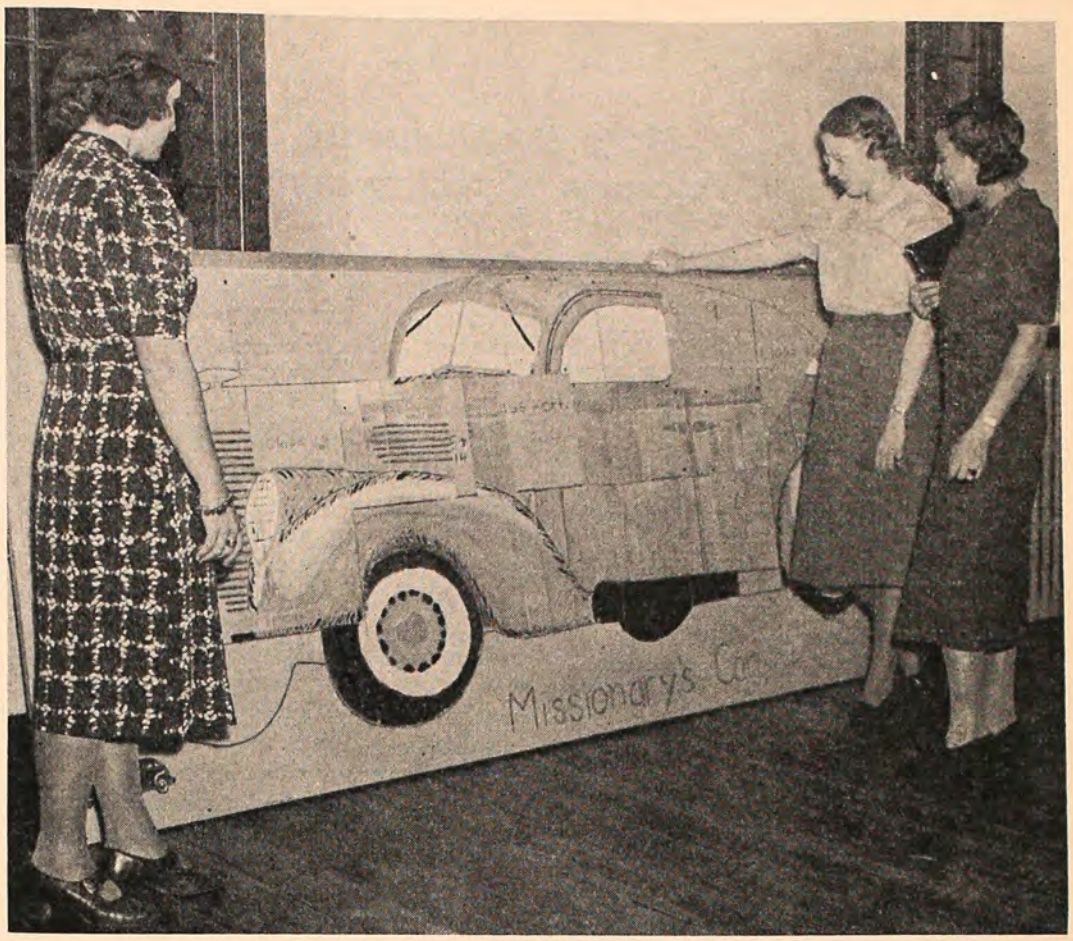
This board prepares and presents the schedules from which the lessons of the Episcopal Church Series, published by H. M. Jacobs Company, are written.

Men from all the dioceses serve on this board, and those who cannot attend write to the secretary, giving their comments. There were many letters and commendations, among which were the following:

"I find both the content and its manner of presentation very excellent."—Rev. Douglas H. Loweth, West Orange, N. J.

"I am impressed with the idea that it seems to be the best arranged series yet put out."—Rev. Geoffrey C. Hinshelwood, Gainesville, Ga.

"One cannot but view in admiration the immense amount of work and scholarship involved, as well as the thoroughness of the subject-matter, and I am proud to have been, even though nominally, connected with this evidence of the activity of the board."—H. N. Ogden, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.



Church School classes at Epiphany, Germantown, are building a missionary automobile with their offerings. As each class completes its pledge a section is added to the car, which was exhibited at the Germantown Church School Association's meeting at Christ Church and St. Michael's on Monday, February 6. Inspecting it with interest are Virginia Rieg (left), Bessie Kenney and Helen Kelch (right) **Church News Photo**

ILLNESS FELLS TWO CHURCH HOUSE WORKERS

Visitors to Church House, as well as the staff, have missed Miss Elizabeth P. Frazier, Field Secretary of the Department of Religious Education, and Mrs. Madeleine Evans.

Miss Frazier has been suffering a severe attack of pleurisy and Mrs. Evans recently underwent an operation in Episcopal Hospital. Both are now on the road to recovery.

COUNCIL'S SYMPATHY SENT TO CARDINAL

At its regular meeting in Church House on Friday, February 10, the Executive Council adopted the following resolution proposed by the Rev. Charles H. Long:

"That the Executive Council of the Diocese of Pennsylvania express to Cardinal Dougherty and the members of the Roman Catholic Church profound sympathy in the passing of His Holiness, Pope Pius XI. He was a tower of strength for the cause of Christian righteousness to the whole civilized world. He labored unselfishly for universal peace and brotherhood in a time of strife and bitterness. The character of his life in words and deeds truly expressed his devotion to his Master and Saviour Jesus Christ."

Members of the clergy from the Convocation of Chester took part in the service held at St. John the Evangelist's Church, Lansdowne, Sunday afternoon, February 19, by the Southwestern Sunday School Association. Dean Wilcox (end of the procession) blessed the Lenten Mite Boxes for distribution to twenty-two Sunday Schools represented **Church News Photo**

CHURCH OF THE HELPING HAND

St. Mary Pro-Cathedral Becomes Veritable League of Nations as It Welcomes Worshippers of Many Lands with No Edifice of Their Own

A work of considerable importance, which has received but little notice except in official quarters, is described in the following report of the Rev. Dr. William C. Emhardt, vicar of the Pro-Cathedral of St. Mary, Broad and South Streets, to the Cathedral Chapter:

Your vicar has not been unmindful of his obligation to diocesan service.

His training has developed an approach to the foreign-speaking peoples which with the approval and co-operation of the archdeacon he uses in his work.

An unfortunate crisis in the affairs of the Armenian Apostolic Church has resulted in the expulsion of a large congregation by representatives of a foreign political group whose outstanding claim to fame was the murder of their bishop in New York City. Your vicar is trying to assist them to recover their property; but fears that they have been so poorly advised heretofore that the effort seems hopeless. In the meantime, he can afford them the hospitality of the Pro-Cathedral. Congregations of from 100 to 600 gather every Sunday. Most of the congregation comes from North Philadelphia and Kensington.

On one Sunday afternoon in the absence of their priest the vicar conducted their service. He also on one occasion conducted a special vesper service for them.

A Sunday School for the Armenian children, under the direction of your vicar, was opened November 13. The instructions are in English, but combine certain features of the Armenian Church.

In association with the archdeacon and the late Dr. Washburn, efforts to promote fellowship between members of the Eastern Church and the Episcopal Church have continued. We have met on but three occasions in the past year. At a luncheon at the Penn Athletic Club there were present a Russian archbishop, two Armenian archbishops, an Old Catholic bishop and Bishop Moreland of our Church, together with priests of the Galician and Ruthenian branches of the Carpatho-Russian Church, the Russian Church, Rumanian Church, the Greek Church, the Albanian Church and the Old Catholic Church. At a later meeting in the Pro-Cathedral most of these churches were represented. Another meeting held in the rectory of the Russian Church was attended by the Russian archbishop.

During the past year your vicar has endeavored to get a body of Church women to make friendly overtures to the wives of foreign-speaking clergy. Thus far he has been able to create an interest and evoke expression of willingness to co-operate; but has found no one willing to lead.

It might be of interest to note some of the significant and in some instances epoch-making events of the past year. For the first time a Russian bishop officiated in an Episcopal Church in the diocese. On the occasion of the vicar's fortieth anniversary for the first time in America a Russian and an Armenian bishop joined in a service. A precedent was established by your vicar not only sharing in a marriage service with the Armenian archbishop but in giving the blessing. For the first time an Anglican priest conducted an Armenian vesper service (in English) for Armenians. For the first time an Anglican priest performed the priestly part and preached at a stated Armenian service. The proposed Armenian school under one of our priests is another departure.

On Sunday, October 30, a service of the colored congregations was held in the interest of the Douglass and the Mercy Hospitals with an attendance of more than 600; arrangements for this service were coincident with a request by the bishop that we extend the hospitality of the Pro-Cathedral to the colored congregations for such corporate use. The proposal has been received with favor by some of the colored clergy.

A request has also been made for the use of the Pro-Cathedral for the next annual meeting of the Colored Convocation of the Third Province.

A similar request has been made by the Rumanian Orthodox Church of America for the use of our building in connection with their first sobor, or convention, as soon as conditions permit. The Rumanian Church has had no bishop in America until quite recently.

Negotiations have been pending for some months with a Polish priest and an incipient congregation for regular use of the Pro-Cathedral. Several ecclesiastical and technical difficulties must be encompassed before the matter can be presented to the bishop in concrete form.

EDUCATIONAL WEEK FOR BLIND MARCH 13

WOMEN of the Church are looking forward to their participation in the twelfth Educational Week for the Blind, Monday, March 13, in the auditorium on the fifth floor of Gimbel Brothers' store, Ninth and Chestnut Streets. Mrs. C. Frank Miller is chairman of the Episcopal committee and Mrs. T. L. Gossling is co-chairman.

There will be luncheon daily from 11:30 to 2:00, and tea from 3 to 4:30 P. M. An appeal has been made for contributions for food and for a large attendance. There will be a charge of 40 cents for the luncheon and 25 cents for tea.

Mrs. Price J. Patton is in charge of the kitchen and Mrs. Charles Gill, Sr., is chairman of the dining room.

This is the twelfth consecutive year in which the organizations interested in aiding the blind have joined forces for the Philadelphia Educational Week for the Blind. This annual exhibit is made possible only by the splendid cooperation of women of various Church and club groups, the donation of space and facilities by Ellis A. Gimbel and his associates, and generous aid from many other business agencies.

CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB ACTIVITIES

Thoughtlessness and carelessness are two distinct words, yet as a factor in hindering missionary work they are as one. This is especially true in the work of the C. P. C., where magazines are either laid away for future reference—and seldom referred to—or carelessly thrown aside where their usefulness as reading matter is soon ended.

This happens right along here, where reading material is so plentiful; people hurriedly read a magazine, perhaps no more than an article or a paragraph, and with no thought nor care throw it aside, soon forgetting all about it; some having only one magazine, read and reread every word, really getting more out of the one than the others get from their many magazines. How much better to pass them along while they are fresh, giving help and joy to others.

A letter from the C. P. C. national president, Mrs. David C. Larcomb, tells us there are almost 4,000 unfilled requests; her two-year two-point forward program for 1939-40 is:

1. An active branch in every parish and mission.

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THE GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

Still Provides Refreshing Surprises in the Fullness of Its Activities Despite Its Venerable Age of Sixty Years

By MADELEINE T. SPEISS

MORE than sixty years ago, a devoted English Churchwoman, with a daring most unusual for her day and generation, had a vision of a great organization for girls, which should minister to their needs, enrich their lives, and bind them closely to the Church. With this dream, she went directly to the then Archbishop of Canterbury for his guidance and patronage. Thus the G. F. S. was born, and thus it has continued to live—a part of the Church's life, pledged to the Church's service, with the development of the Christian life as the underlying motive for all its program and activity, whether that program be the simple one of 1875, or the highly varied and up-to-the-minute one of 1939.

The criticism is often made of organizations that they develop loyalty to their own life and purposes rather than loyalty to the Church. No doubt, in some instances this is true, in G. F. S. groups, as well as in others, but such misplaced emphasis can usually be traced to inadequate leadership and lack of understanding as to the society's history and practices.

Here in Pennsylvania at this Report time, the place of the G. F. S. in parish life comes annually as a fresh surprise, even to those who know it best. Nearly every strictly parish Branch reports the services its members render to the work of their Church. They sing in the choirs, both regular and junior, teach in the Church Schools, work in the Altar Guilds, hold joint programs with the Woman's Auxiliary, and do any piece of service which the Rector may ask, in addition to taking a full share in money-raising for the parish.

One especially interesting report this year—that of Trinity, Oxford, Branch—tells of an annual gift of $100 to the parish treasury, monthly contributions for heat and light, and shares carried in a building and loan association towards reduction of the parish house mortgage. Lest it be thought that this Branch spends all its time in money-raising, let us hasten to add that every member takes part in some parish activity outside the G. F. S., that a full recreation program for all girls of the parish is carried out by the Branch—basket-ball, badminton tournament, sleighing and ice-skating parties, etc. —and that time is still found to sponsor a large Candidates Class.

Another interesting report of parish cooperation comes from St. Mark's, Frankford, where the Lenten meetings will be given over to the making of Choir vestments, under the direction of the Altar Guild, while the Branch at St. Simon the Cyrenian is joining with the Brotherhood of St. Andrew Chapter there, in a series of debates, carried out with all formality. The Messiah Branch, rather young in itself, is already doing its part in the larger life of the parish by organizing a group of five-to-seven-year-olds, who work and play under the guidance of their High School leaders. It seems unfair to pick out even these examples from among the more than fifty Branches, all of which, in one way or another, strive to fulfill their responsibility to the Church, of which the society is, after all, only a small part.

The entire G. F. S. is very proud of two honors recently paid to its national staff. Miss Sarah Morrison, editor of the *G. F. S. Record,* was chosen by *The Living Church* as the only woman on its Honor Roll for distinguished service to the Church during 1938; and Miss Margaret Jefferson, field secretary, has been selected by Bishop Tucker as one of the Church's representatives to the World Conference of Christian Youth in Amsterdam, Holland, next July. Another G. F. S. leader is also among the ten Episcopalian delegates and alternates chosen—Mrs. Ernestine Postles, Branch president, St. Cyprian's, Detroit.

A new *Handbook for Leaders of Young Girls* will soon be off the press, companion to the *Handbook for Leaders of Young People* which made such a contribution to the youth work of the Church about one year ago. The new book will be for the teen-age and Candidates groups, and is expected to duplicate the usefulness of the earlier publication. Stepping from the Parish to the Church at large, we catch here some hint of the service given by the G. F. S. to the source of all its inspiration and strength. These handbooks, the *G. F. S. Record,* and other publications are not for the use of the membership alone, but are widely used by all young peoples' organizations, although prepared by the staff of the society and published at the society's expense. Any profit which may come from their sale is an important item in a budget difficult to balance.

June Solimeo, sixteen-year-old member of the Branch at Gladwyn, won first place in a recent "Youth in the Modern World" broadcast at a local studio, with a 100 per cent record for answering correctly the questions asked on international affairs during the week preceding the broadcast. Emphasis upon the Christian attitude toward the tragic conditions of to-day, which plays such a large part in G. F. S. programs, is a valuable adjunct to study and discussions in the schools.

Although Winter is still with us, the Holiday House Committee is already planning the 1939 season at Holiday House in Cape May. The Clergy School of the Diocese of New Jersey again will hold its session at the Holiday House, June 11 to 15. The school met there, for the first time, last Summer, and all who took part were so pleased with the arrangements for their comfort and convenience that return reservations for this year were made almost immediately. The house lends itself well to such a gathering. There are a beautiful chapel, seating sixty persons, large living rooms for conferences, a spacious dining room, and enough single bedrooms to insure privacy for study and rest. Plans for another special Candidates' period are also under way, and a new feature for 1939 will be a similar period for Younger Members, with a planned program suitable to their interests.

Truthfulness is sincerity; it is being in the smallest act what you want people to believe you are.

—Bishop Lloyd.

ANNUAL REPORT OF SHELTERING ARMS

Throws A Bright Ray of Optimism on the Problems of Young Women Who Are Facing Motherhood Alone

At the annual meeting of the Board of Managers of the Sheltering Arms, School Lane, Germantown, on January 19, the following report for the year 1938 was presented by Mrs. Raymond D. B. Wright, president of the board:

AS the first duty of a Board Member is to review annually the work of the institution and to know why it exists, we are here today to conform to our by-laws (conforming at least as to the month, if not the week) and hold our Annual Meeting and give an account of ourselves as an agency.

There are no changes in our officers for the coming year, for which I am grateful, as they, together with the members of the Board, have assisted me very ably during the past year. There has been one resignation, Mrs. Thomas Evans, which we accepted with much regret, and we were all very sorry to hear of the death of Dr. George Dennison, long a valued member of our Board.

There have been several changes in our staff at Ravenswood. In 1936 we tried the experiment of installing our Head Nurse as Superintendent. This arrangement did not prove wholly satisfactory and this year we have returned to our former plan of having a social worker as Superintendent. We have been very fortunate in securing the services of Miss Frances Cashel, who is known to a great many Episcopalians through her former connections. We also have appointed a trained dietitian to replace a practical dietitian.

I am very happy to report our staff in the office remains the same, and we are deeply sensible of our good fortune in having Miss Peck, to whom we owe a great debt of thanks, for her very capable and efficient management of all the work of the Sheltering Arms.

We have added a student from the University of Pennsylvania, a graduate nurse working for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Public Health Nursing, who is supervising our foster home medical work, in return for her maintenance and has arranged to continue with us for a two-year period.

We wish to express our thanks to the Needlework Guild and the Diocesan Supply Bureau for their generous donations, and to the Board for their continued generosity and many gifts to the girls for their recreation fund and other useful things.

During the year two volunteer workers, Mrs. Wall and Mrs. Hovde, gave three days' services a week. The Board is greatly indebted to them and appreciative of their efforts. It may be to the point right here to say how much we need volunteer workers, and how many helpful and constructive services they could give to the agency. We want to thank the Rev. N. Herbert Caley for faithfully giving his time to conduct our Sunday afternoon services.

A very interesting and successful May luncheon meeting was held at Ravenswood, at which Mrs. René Ruegg, Chairman of the Children's Division of the Council of Social Agencies, spoke to us on "Employment Practices in Social Agencies."

There are two other meetings I would like to mention in this report, as the subjects are of deep concern to us and our problems. The first was an All-Day Institute of the Committee of Illegitimacy, of which Miss Peck is the Chairman. We were reminded of a society formed in 1800, in which, by the way, all the Board members were men, which was created "to deal with girls who had strayed from the paths of innocence and virtue, and at times showed a desire to return thereto."

Miss Brisley, formerly Executive Secretary of the National Church Mission of Help, spoke most interestingly and suggested many new ideas. She stated that the question of the unmarried mother is one of the most complicated in our civilization, and announced the rather startling fact that only a small percentage ever reach our agencies.

Miss Maud Morlock, of the Federal Children's Bureau, spoke of the studies being made in relation to the unmarried mother, and stated that statistics show that sixty per cent of children involved in adoptions are illegitimate; that the conditions surrounding adoptions in many cities were very bad, and in many cases amounted to a sorority rushing of the mother to see who could get the baby for adoption. In one city for many years a woman has supported herself by placing babies at $250 per adoption. She has already placed six hundred, and her answer to any criticism is, "You are paid for your work, why shouldn't I be paid also?" The Cradle as well as commercial groups widely advertise that there are five or six requests for babies to one that can be filled. Just what effect this has on young women facing motherhood cannot be estimated, but it surely cannot be constructive for them to feel that it is easy to be relieved of all responsibility.

I saw a bit in a chit-chat column of a local newspaper the other day: "Helen Hayes, who now is touring in 'Victoria Regina,' never personally saw the baby she and her husband adopted until after the adoption. Her husband selected the child and Alexander Woollcott furnished the references." People do not seem to be aware of the importance of adequate study of the antecedents of the child and of the adopting parents, nor as a nation do we accept the need of adequate laws to safeguard both the parents and the child.

This brings us to the second meeting I already mentioned. The Children's Department of the Council of Social Agencies held a luncheon meeting at which Dr. Lee M. Brooks, Professor of Sociology of the University of North Carolina, spoke on the "Responsibility and Challenge in Adoption Procedure." One of the aims of the meeting was to interest as many judges and medical men as possible and to urge greater co-operation between the social worker, doctor and judge. In this instance, he said, we might do well to emulate a country like Sweden, where an attempt is made to educate the public first and then pass a law, rather than to write the law first and think it out afterwards.

The Board has been much interested in an experiment carried on this summer through the interest of Dr. Charles Ford, of the faculty of Temple University, who asked to place one of his students with us for two months: Miss Adelain Rancourt. Miss Rancourt made a total of twenty-three studies. Intelligence Quotients ran from 60 to 152, giving a group median ten points higher than the norm for the community.

These intelligence quotients paralleled the educational backgrounds of the girls, which ranged from completion of the fifth grade of grammar school to the third year of a university. To the Board this study emphasized and to a

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S FELLOWSHIP

How Today's Youth in the Diocese Is Building for Tomorrow's Churchmanship

AS the month of March progresses, we instinctively look forward to warmer weather and the usual number of conventions which occur in the Spring and Summer. As the Young People's Work has developed largely through individual initiative, the use of diocesan and provincial conferences for the exchange of ideas and methods has been of great value. Conferences have also been a splendid means of bringing the young people together in a spirit of fellowship.

Many individuals and groups think of a conference as a kind of *service station* or *power house* to which young people come, and from which they go away filled with inspiration and renewed zeal to carry out the work of Christ and His Church through their parish organizations.

In addition to being a general clearing-house for the exchange of ideas and methods, and a place of fellowship, each conference should serve one specific purpose. Sometimes the purpose may be a general one, such as, *to find out what has been done, what is being done, and what we are going to do to train for leadership*; or the conference may be called for some definite purpose, for example, *to prepare for our thousand-dollar campaign.*

Even if it is *just an annual conference,* it should have purpose or theme, and not be merely a series of reports and a play-spell. Every conference ought to give something helpful and constructive to its members.

The annual conference of the Young People's Fellowship of the Province of Washington, to be held at Shrine Mont, Orkney Springs, Va., May 12, 13, and 14, purposes to study a certain topic which the parochial groups may use as their Study Program during the ensuing year. The theme for this conference will be *Ten Authorities Other Than God,* and is meant to help one "discover" certain "authorities" which, in various guises, may have been ruling his life without his knowledge. This study is preparatory to the Amsterdam Conference, making its claims upon youth in search of the Christian community in the modern world.

One of our own members, Gordon Bradley, first vice-president of the Diocesan Y. P. F., has been appointed Chairman of this conference. It is hoped that all the members of the Young People's Fellowship of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, will help make this the best conference the Province has ever had. The Rev. Robert C. Hubbs, an advisor to our Executive Council, will be one of the discussion group leaders, and the Rev. B. Janney Rudderow, chairman of our Executive Council and advisor to the Provincial Council, also will be on hand to help.

Our own Diocesan Convention will be held Saturday, April 29, at the Christian Association building, 36th and Locust Streets. The same theme will be followed, except that we will not go into it as deeply. Instead of having one discussion group for each Authority, it will be segregated into three groups, followed by a summary of their findings. Mr. Bradley also has been appointed chairman of this committee, and he has named Ruth Murdock as registrar; Edward Potter, publicity chairman, and Bill Todd, entertainment. The committee is endeavoring to contact all the past presidents of the diocese, and have them attend the Convention so they may see the advances we are making, and how we have carried out the plans they laid some fourteen years ago.

The Rev. Joseph H. Titus, rector of Grace Church, Jamaica, N. Y., will be one of the speakers at the Orkney Springs convention. Other speakers and details of the convention program will be announced in a later issue.

March 4 saw a representative group of the Diocesan Y. P. F. at St. Martin-in-the-Fields for the annual devotional day service. The speaker was the Rev. Frederick B. Halsey, rector of All Hallow's, Wyncote.

Our Diocesan Leadership Committee gave names of 14 Y. P. F. boys as possible leaders for boy's work among the underprivileged in the neighborhood of the Central Y. M. C. A. The purpose of this project is to bring boys in off the streets, reducing chances of their running afoul of the law. They have older boys as leaders, and it was for this purpose that the Y. P. F. members were invited to participate in the work. About five responded. Each leader has a group of boys, usually a neighborhood "gang" of four to fourteen members. The age range is from eight to twenty-one years. The work is under the leadership of Bob Brown, boy's work secretary of Central "Y."

The Diocesan Y. P. F. has been asked to co-operate with the Philadelphia Divinity School in securing books for a library at the Norristown State Hospital. No definite program for obtaining these books has been planned, but if you have any books or magazines you would care to give, please contact any member of the Y. P. F. and they will be called for.

The Y. P. F. is sponsoring the service at Holy Trinity Church on Thursday, March 23. At this service the Young People's Choir will sing. A large attendance is hoped for, not only our members, but their friends as well.

The Fellowships of the Northeast are having a point system contest. To date Holy Innocents is leading, with St. Bartholomew's and St. Mark's following closely.

The Northeast Convocation will hold its Corporate Communion at Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg, on Sunday, March 19. The service will be followed by breakfast.

Thursday, February 9, we were fortunate to have the Rev. Thomas A. Meryweather as guest speaker at our joint convocation meeting. Mr. Meryweather told us of the work of the Crime Prevention Association and showed movies to illustrate his talk. At this meeting over 600 medicine bottles were collected. These will be used at the Seamen's Church Institute. Our visits to the institute are continuing, and we hope to take more entertainment there in the very near future.

CONFIRMATIONS SCHEDULED FOR MARCH-APRIL

IN accordance with his custom Bishop Taitt has another bishop assisting him with the unusually heavy Lenten confirmation schedule. This year the visiting bishop is the Rt. Rev. Charles Fiske, D.D., retired Bishop of Central New York. Bishop Fiske began his visitations in the Diocese on Septuagesima Sunday, February 5, at Old Oxford Trinity. He will be in the Diocese until Wednesday evening, March 22.

March 1—Wednesday
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Cyprian, Elmwood, Bishop Taitt.
Evening—Springfield, Redeemer, the Visiting Bishop.
March 2—Thursday
Evening—Philadelphia, Phillips Brooks Chapel, the Visiting Bishop.
March 3—Friday
Evening—Philadelphia, Holy Communion, Bishop Taitt.
Evening—Philadelphia, St. James, Hestonville, the Visiting Bishop.
March 5—Second Sunday in Lent
Morning—Bala, St. Asaph, Bishop Taitt.
Morning—Philadelphia, St. Stephen, the Visiting Bishop.
Afternoon—West Manayunk, St. Andrew, Bishop Taitt.
Afternoon—Philadelphia, Annunciation, the Visiting Bishop.
Evening—Philadelphia, Grace, Mt. Airy, Bishop Taitt.
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Clement, the Visiting Bishop.
March 7—Tuesday
Evening—Essington, St. John, the Visiting Bishop.
March 8—Wednesday
Evening—Drexel Hill, Incarnation, Bishop Taitt.
Evening—Philadelphia, All Saints, Moyamensing, the Visiting Bishop.
March 9—Thursday
Evening—Collingdale, Trinity, Bishop Taitt.
Evening—Norwood, St. Stephen, the Visiting Bishop.
March 10—Friday
Evening—Philadelphia, Ascension, Rhawnhurst, the Visiting Bishop.
March 12—Third Sunday in Lent
Morning—Radnor, St. David, Bishop Taitt.
Morning—Norristown, All Saints, the Visiting Bishop.
Afternoon—Philadelphia, Transfiguration, Bishop Taitt.
Afternoon—Morrisville, Incarnation, the Visiting Bishop.
Evening—Philadelphia, Mediator, Bishop Taitt.
Evening—Bristol, St. James, the Visiting Bishop.
March 14—Tuesday
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Simon Cyrenian, the Visiting Bishop.
March 15—Wednesday
Evening—Ridley Park, Christ, Bishop Taitt.
Evening—Philadelphia, Epiphany, Sherwood, the Visiting Bishop.
March 16—Thursday
Evening—Wyncote, All Hallows, Bishop Taitt.
Evening—Cheltenham, St. Aidan, the Visiting Bishop.
March 17—Friday
Evening—Chester, St. Mary, Bishop Taitt.
Evening—Doylestown, St. Paul, the Visiting Bishop.
March 19—Fourth Sunday in Lent
Morning—Philadelphia, Holy Apostles, Bishop Taitt.
Morning—Philadelphia, St. James's, the Visiting Bishop.
Afternoon—Wynnewood, All Saints, Bishop Taitt.
Afternoon—Yeadon, St. Michael, the Visiting Bishop.
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Thomas, Bishop Taitt.
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Monica, the Visiting Bishop.
March 21—Tuesday
Evening—Morton, Atonement, Bishop Taitt.
Evening—Hatboro, Advent, the Visiting Bishop.
March 22—Wednesday
Evening—West Chester, Holy Trinity, the Visiting Bishop.
*March 23—Thursday**
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Stephen, Bridesburg.
March 26—Passion Sunday (Fifth in Lent)
Morning—Chester, St. Paul.
Afternoon—Philadelphia, Holy Trinity Chapel.
Afternoon—Philadelphia, Saint Sauveur.
Evening—Darby, All Saints.
March 27—Monday
Evening—Media, Christ.
March 29—Wednesday
Evening—Philadelphia, Holy Trinity.
March 30—Thursday
Evening—Philadelphia, Holy Comforter Chapel.
April 1—Saturday
Evening—Wayne, St. Mary.
April 2—Sunday next before Easter (Palm Sunday)
Morning—Philadelphia, St. Peter.
Afternoon—Cynwyd, St. John.
Evening—Philadelphia, Resurrection.
April 6—Thursday
Evening—Philadelphia, St. Paul, Overbrook.
April 8—Easter Even (Saturday)
Afternoon—Philadelphia, St. Mark.
April 9—Easter Day
Morning—Philadelphia, Christ.
Afternoon—Philadelphia, Gloria Dei.
Evening—Highland Park, Holy Sacrament.
April 16—First Sunday after Easter
Morning—Jenkintown, Our Saviour.
Afternoon—Sleighton Farm.
Evening—Philadelphia, The Saviour.
April 20—Thursday
Afternoon—Valley Forge Military Academy.
April 23—(Second Sunday after Easter)
Morning—Paoli, Good Samaritan.
Afternoon—Parkesburg, Ascension.
Afternoon—Coatesville, St. Cyril.
Evening—Coatesville, Trinity.
April 30—Third Sunday after Easter
Morning—West Whiteland, St. Paul.
Afternoon—Great Valley, St. Peter.
Evening—Rosemont, Good Shepherd.

*Bishop Taitt officiates alone from March 23 on.

Washington went faithfully to public worship, said his prayers (I have seen his private prayer book, written out in long-hand) and read his Bible. Great! Of course he was great. And this practice had something to do with making his character. The moral value of reading the Bible is set out in Hebrews 4:12-13. In Washington the Word was met with faith and it bore fruit in his life. Of some others it is written: "The word preached did not profit them, because it did not meet with faith in the hearers." Hebrews 4:2. —*Bishop Jenkins.*

Wealth is a national illusion. It has meant insensate luxury for a small minority, smug comfort for a considerable number, and the pinch of poverty for millions. I cannot conceive that God ever meant it to be so.
—*Bishop Jenkins.*

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BISHOP JOSEPH MARSHALL FRANCIS

A LONG career of consecration and devotion to the Church came to an end with the death on February 13 of the Rt. Rev. Joseph Marshall Francis, Bishop of Indianapolis, who would have completed fifty-five years in the ministry on next December 21, the anniversary of his ordination as a deacon in 1884. He was in his 77th year.

Failing health last April led him to ask the Diocesan Convention at Terre Haute for a coadjutor bishop to relieve him of some of his burden, but it was not until October that the Rev. Richard A. Kirchhoffer was chosen bishop-elect. He was consecrated in Indianapolis on February 8.

Bishop Francis was a native of Pennsylvania, having been born at Eaglesmere on April 6, 1862. After studying at Racine College and at Oxford University, England, he was ordained a deacon in 1884, and two years later he was raised to the priesthood.

In 1884 and 1885 he served in Milwaukee and Greenfield, Wis., and in 1886 became canon of All Saints' Cathedral, Milwaukee. The following year he was called to the rectorship of St. Luke's, Whitewater, Wis., filling that post until he accepted a call to the mission field in Japan in 1888, taking with him his young bride, the former Kate Stevens, of Milwaukee, who survives him.

For several years after going to Japan Bishop Francis was an instructor in Trinity Divinity School, Tokyo, where he became sub-dean in 1894, carrying on at the same time his work as priest-in-charge of Trinity Cathedral, Tokyo, and editor of *The Church in Japan*.

Returning to the United States in 1898, he was called to Evansville, Ind., as rector of St. Paul's, the pastorate from which he was elected to the Episcopate in 1899. He had been appointed Bishop of Tokyo by the mission board before leaving Japan, but the board could not finance the work, so he was not consecrated.

He was consecrated Bishop of the Diocese of Indianapolis on September 22, 1899, by Bishop McClaren, of Chicago. Bishops Seamore of Springfield, Davies of Michigan, Nicholson of Milwaukee, White of Michigan City, and Burton of Lexington assisted.

At one time the youngest member of the House of Bishops, before his death he shared with Bishop Rowe of Alaska the distinction of being one of the two oldest active members of that body.

He had been a member of the old Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, now the National Council, since 1904, and in 1934 he was vice chairman of the House of Bishops.

The celebration at All Saints' Cathedral in Indianapolis of the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood on December 19, 1936, was attended by hundreds from all over the diocese. Later he went to Milwaukee to attend a similar celebration in his honor in St. Luke's, Whitwater, his first parish.

In the last few months, despite his illness, he directed arrangements for the consecration of the Bishop Coadjutor and attended to his administrative duties even while confined to his bed.

Characteristic of Bishop Francis was his request that his critical condition be not allowed in any way to cloud or dampen the joy and enthusiasm incident to the consecration, which preceded his death by only five days.

The loss of Bishop Francis is deeply felt in many quarters of the Church where he had hosts of devoted friends, particularly in the National Council and in the House of Bishops, of which he was a member for nearly forty years.

While the Apostolic succession goes on and Indianapolis is not left without a bishop, the sweetness of his consecrated life, of his mind and spirit, enriched by constant close communion with God and his fellow man, will not soon be forgotten.

REV. D. L. SANFORD

THE Rev. David Lewis Sanford, for eleven years prior to his retirement rector of St. John's, Concord, died February 4 in Overlook Hospital, Summit, N. J. He was eighty-one.

Mr. Sanford was born in Brooklyn September 6, 1857, and was graduated from St. Stephen's College in 1876. After studying at Berkeley Theological Seminary, he was ordained deacon in 1879, and was raised to the priesthood in 1881.

His first charge was as assistant minister at Thompsonville, Conn., which he left in 1881 to become rector at Stafford Springs, Conn. Until 1916, his ministry was entirely in New England. He then came to this diocese and took charge temporarily of the work at Morrisville, where he remained two years. In 1917 and 1918 he was headmaster of St. Bernard's School, Gladstone, N. J., leaving that post to become rector at St. John's, Concord, where he served until his retirement in May, 1929.

For fifteen years he was an examining chaplain in Vermont; he also served on the Missionary Committee and was a delegate to all meetings of the Northeast Missionary Council, and a deputy to four General Conventions.

He is survived by his wife, the former Anna Traver Briscoe, whom he married at Thompsonville, Conn., in 1882; a son, the Rev. Edgar Lewis Sanford, II, rector of Trinity Church, Moorestown, N. J., and a brother, the Rev. Edgar Lewis Sanford, who lives in retirement in Oneonta, N. Y.

Funeral services were held on February 6 at Trinity Church, Elizabeth, N. J.

LOT BOARDMAN

LOT BOARDMAN, for nine years rector's warden at Calvary Church, Germantown, died February 27 in Hahnemann Hospital, a short time after suffering a heart attack at his home, Wayne and Mt. Airy Avenues, Chestnut Hill. He was 62.

Mr. Boardman was vice president of the board of trustees of Hahnemann Hospital, vice president of the William S. Scull Coffee Company and a member of the Union League.

Born in England, he came to this country while still a youth. Almost his entire business career has been with the firm of which he was an executive.

He is survived by his daughter, Alice Hilton Boardman, who lived with him; a sister-in-law, Mrs. Margaret J. Holeman, and a nephew, Captain George Holeman, both of Philadelphia.

Funeral services were held March 2 at Calvary Church. Burial was in Arlington Cemetery, Drexel Hill.

Thy Will be done. No greater words than these
Can pass from human lips—these words that rent
Their way through agony and bloody sweat
And broke the silence of Gethsemane
To save the world from sin.

REV. N. C. ACTON MADE PRIEST IN WASHINGTON

The Rev. Nathaniel C. Acton, formerly of Holy Apostles parish, was raised to the priesthood by Bishop Freeman in ordination services in St. John's Church, Washington, D. C., on St. Matthias' Day, February 24.

Mr. Acton, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Acton, of 5436 Kingsessing Avenue, was presented for ordination by the Rev. Dr. George H. Toop, who also preached the ordination sermon.

At his ordination to the diaconate at Trinitytide, June 13, in Holy Apostles Church here, Mr. Acton was presented by Dr. Toop, and the Rev. Dr. Oliver J. Hart, under whom he is now serving as curate, was the preacher.

Mr. Acton, who is 28, is a graduate of Pennsylvania State College and of Virginia Theological Seminary, Alexandria, where he was graduated just before his ordination last June. He has been connected with St. John's, Washington, since that time.

BISHOP CAMPBELL ADDRESSES WOMEN

The Rt. Rev. Robert Erskine Campbell, O.H.C., prior of St. Andrew's School, St. Andrew's, Tenn., who for eleven years was Bishop of the Missionary District of Liberia, addressed a meeting of the Domestic Committee of the Woman's Auxiliary in Church House on February 8.

Bishop Campbell spent fourteen years in Liberia, three years as a missionary priest and prior of Holy Cross Mission at Bolahun, in the Sierra Leone district. He was elected Bishop in 1925 and resigned in 1936.

While he was in Africa the Liberian Government decorated him with the order of Grand Commander of the Star of Africa, and Liberia College conferred upon him the degree of doctor of canon law.

He has been closely identified with St. Andrew's School for many years, having served as headmaster and prior at various periods before he went to the mission field in Africa.

REV. R. P. FRAZIER GOES TO WYOMING

The Rev. Robert Pearsall Frazier, for the last four years vicar of St. Anne's, Willow Grove, left February 3 for Laramie, Wyo., to take up his duties as archdeacon of the Missionary District of Wyoming under Bishop Winfred H. Ziegler.

Archdeacon Frazier received his appointment last November when Bishop Ziegler was on a speaking tour here. A factor in his selection for the work in Wyoming, much of which is among the Arapahoe Indians, was his long experience among the Indians in South Dakota.

A scion of an old and socially prominent family, Archdeacon Frazier is carrying out in his priesthood a family tradition of devotion to the work of the Church. His sister, Miss Elizabeth P. Frazier, is field secretary of the diocesan Department of Religious Education. His wife, the former Luella Edwards, has been active in the work of the Indians' Hope Association.

DIOCESAN LENTEN SERVICES AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service."

—Rom. 12:1

This Lenten season marks the Twelfth Year in which, under the auspices of the Diocesan Commission on Evangelism, these Preaching Missions have been held in an endeavour to lead more people closer to God and His Son, our Blessed Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, and to foster a broader consciousness of His teachings. The Commission on the Forward Movement is cooperating again this year.

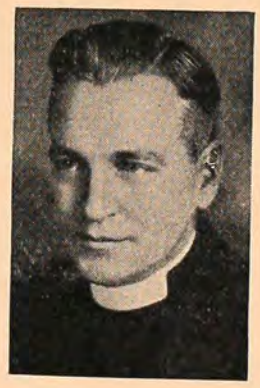
March 16th

The Rt. Rev. Granville Gaylord Bennett was born in Deadwood, S. D., in 1882, and at the time of his retirement in 1933 was Bishop of the Diocese of Duluth. He had served as Bishop Coadjutor from 1920 to 1922, when he became the second Bishop of the Diocese. He was graduated from the University of Nebraska in 1903 and was ordained to the priesthood in 1907, the same year he was graduated from Seabury-Western Theological Seminary. He began his ministry as Canon of the Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour, Faribault, Minn., in 1906, and most of his ministry has been in the Middle West. From 1911 to 1918 he was in Montana. He is now Auxiliary Bishop of Rhode Island.

The service is sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary
The Choir of Holy Trinity Church will sing

March 23d

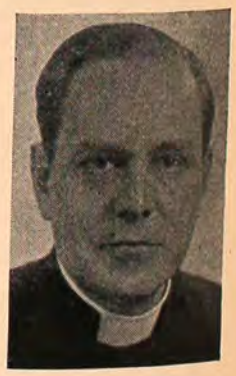
The Rev. John Gass, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Incarnation, New York City, was born in Augusta, Ga., in 1890, and has spent most of his life in the South, where he developed to a high degree his natural ability as a preacher. Dr. Gass prepared for college at Sewanee Military Academy and then took his arts degree at University of the South. Virginia Theological Seminary conferred upon him an honorary degree. In the World War he held a lieutenancy in the army chaplain corps. At the war's close he became rector of the Church of the Ascension, Frankfort, Ky., and served successively in Parkersburg and in Charleston, W. Va. In 1935 he accepted the rectorship which he now holds.



The service is sponsored by the Young People's Fellowship
The Fellowship will supply the Choir

March 30th

The Rev. Granville Mercer Williams, S.S.J.E., entered the ministry in 1920 after having been educated as a mining engineer at Columbia University, which gave him an honorary degree. Later he was graduated from Harvard Divinity School and was ordained a priest. For six years he was assistant superior of the American Congregation of the Society of St. John the Evangelist, and since 1927 has been a member of the Executive Committee of the Church Congress. He is President General of the Clerical Union for Maintenance and Defence of Catholic Principles, an author, and editor of the American Church Monthly. He is rector of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, New York.



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HARE BALLOT SYSTEM EXPLAINED IN REPORT

THE 1938 Convention requested the Committee on Elections to investigate further the Hare System of Balloting, which is in common use in England, and to report to the Convention of 1939. The chief object of the Hare Ballot for this diocese would seem to be, not proportional representation as in England, but rather to conclude the elections with a single ballot, thus saving considerable time, which the Convention can well use otherwise.

The process of determining the result is, however, very long and complicated, so that the names of those elected will not be known until after adjournment, when the ballot has been duly counted.

In the Diocese of Long Island, where this system has been in use for several years, the Secretary informs me that in 1935 the Convention took ballots by the Hare method and by the one we use, and that the result was the same in each case.

In brief, the nominations are made as usual by preliminary ballot, or from the floor, on Monday, the ballot being cast on Tuesday, at 10 A. M. The Hare System requires the marking of a choice on the ballot—1, 2, 3, etc.—up to the number to be elected, and the voter's preference, not merely "X."

The clerical and lay ballots are then tabulated separately, according to the number of votes each nominee has received, and added up, the total of each order divided by four, plus one, being the "quota," or number required for election of a candidate. If a sufficient number have been thus chosen on the first count, the surplus over the quota of those who have been chosen is then subtracted from these candidates and added to other names of second choice. If this is not conclusive, the lowest names of those voted for are deleted in order, and the number of votes they received is treated in the same way. This procedure is continued until the requisite number have concurrently received the quota.

The Rev. John H. Fitzgerald, Secretary of the Diocese of Long Island, and the Rev. Bradford Young, of that same diocese, who has made a special study of this method and a very lucid explanation to their Convention, have very kindly consented to come to Philadelphia and explain it to the Clerical Brotherhood on April 17, at 11 A. M., and also at the meeting of the Church Club that same evening. You are invited to attend the morning appointment and learn of the method more fully before the meeting of the Convention on May 1, if you so desire.

RICHARD J. MORRIS
Chairman, Committee on Elections.

DEACONESS CHAPTER HOLDS QUIET DAY

The annual Quiet Day for Deaconesses and graduates of the Church Training and Deaconess House was held February 2, under the auspices of the Deaconess Chapter, in the chapel at 708 Spruce Street, formerly the Deaconess House.

Through the courtesy of Mrs. J. Allison Scott, in charge of the house, meals were served to all who desired them. The residents of the house were invited to join in the celebration of the Holy Communion and in the meditation. Flowers on the altar were the annual memorial to Deaconess Sanford.

The Rev. Benjamin R. Priest, associate rector of St. James's Church, conducted the services and gave three helpful meditations. His subject was "Christian Charity," with special application to present-day problems.

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BISHOP TAITT TRUSTEE AT P. M. C. 39 YEARS

AMONG the advertisers welcomed back into THE CHURCH NEWS this month is Pennsylvania Military College, which for 118 years has been training boys and young men for prominent places in religious, social, economic and political life.

Since 1821, when the school to which the college traces its origin was founded in Wilmington, Del., by John Bullock, there has been no relaxation in its high standards. Today it ranks scholastically with such outstanding institutions as Harvard and Princeton Universities.

Since June, 1899, nearly forty years ago, Bishop Taitt has been a member of its board of trustees. He has been president of the board since 1932. For thirty years, until his consecration in 1929, he was Episcopal chaplain of the college. He is chairman of the committee on honorary degrees and of the resident committee and a member of the Hyatt Foundation, of which John G. Pew is president and in which is vested the control and ownership of the college.

The school passed into the hands of the Hyatt family in 1853 and remained in the family until November, 1934, when it was transferred by purchase and gift to the public. Administrative head of the institution is Colonel Frank Kelso Hyatt, president.

Military training was introduced in 1858 and speedily took on so definite a form that on April 19, 1859, Governor Burton, of Delaware, ordered "certain public arms"—an outfit of rifles and two six-pound field pieces—delivered to the schools, and six days later Theodore Hyatt, principal of the school, was named aide-de-camp to the Governor with the rank of Colonel.

The school was moved to Pennsylvania in 1862 and in the Civil War the cadet corps was called to the defense of Harrisburg. It is said that two of the students, one from the South and one from the North, fought over the raising of the flag at that period. Thirty years later the son of one married the daughter of the other.

The college justifies its military training as a means to an end, its purpose being to foster the greatest possible efficiency by developing promptness, obedience, accuracy, leadership and cooperation in the students, thus fitting them to take their places in the world outside. There is no intent to make P. M. C. men professional soldiers.

That the system succeeds is demonstrated by the fact that two weeks ago only one graduate of the last three years was unemployed, and he was expecting to be called to a job at any moment.

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JUNIOR AUXILIARY

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take. The board is glad to welcome this splendid member.

The Junior Auxiliaries will support the women of the diocese in their observance of the 12th Educational Week for the Blind, Monday, March 13. They will assist particularly with the Motor Corps work.

Some of the young women who have joined the Infant Care Class at Episcopal Hospital have consented to visit various Junior Auxiliary groups in March and describe the work in the hope of interesting more young women in the enterprise.

Miss Gladys Rondinella, educational secretary, brought before the group the appeal for money for repairs needed at Shrine Mont, Orkney Springs, Va., home of conferences in the Third Province. A series of bridge parties to be held by various junior groups from now until May 1 will be the means by which the juniors of the diocese plan to support this worthy cause.

NEWS FROM PARISHES

Calvary, Germantown, went on a pilgrimage to the Philadelphia Divinity School and St. Mary's House and attended a special service conducted for them in St. Andrew's Collegiate Chapel by the Rev. Dr. John M. Groton.

Miss Georgette Lowe, publicity chairman for the Junior Auxiliary of St. John's, Bala-Cynwyd, reports that this enthusiastic four-month-old group is sewing and knitting for the Supply Department. Last month it conducted a cake sale and a movie benefit, part of the proceeds of which were used for a coffee and doughnut party for the old people at Harrison Home.

JULIA E. HILL

REUNION

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Non-Conformists or Free Churches —namely, that "the report marks a progress in good will and good temper. It will have no other effect." This group, unconsciously following the Dean, feels hopeless about legislation ever effecting reunion.

Whatever one's opinion may be, the terms of the Concordat should be studied carefully by our people before 1940 so that they may be able to make an intelligent decision. And in considering the matter we hope that those who ardently support either side will be big enough to recognize that those who oppose them are sincere and honest in the position that they take, even though it seems to them mistaken. We have all sorts of people in the Episcopal Church, and we pray that, when they discuss reunion, no one will suggest that those who disagree with his own particular opinions should get out. It would be a Hibernian victory if we should lose our own unity through fighting for unity with some other Church.

SHELTERING ARMS

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certain extent proved the change and development in our work during the last decade.

Emphasis which formerly covered only the physical and social factors in the life of the unmarried mother and her child has now broadened to include their emotional needs. An increasing number of the women referred to us find themselves facing motherhood, not because their mental subnormality makes it impossible for them to adjust to adulthood, but rather because of their lack of balance often based on their mental superiority.

We are working at this time with the children of the generation that passed through the World War. They and their parents are passing through—or shall we hopefully say have passed through—what amounts to an economic war. Should we not be thankful that so many of our young people have come through unscathed rather than depressed over those who have not!

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VISITORS

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of his citizenship that he took out patents on his land that he might become a taxpayer. Indians normally are exempt from taxes. Some of his land he worked, the rest he rented to get money to pay the taxes.

Gaining the respect of the whites, he was elected to the township board, later becoming its chairman. As chairman he was responsible for road and bridge construction in the township, thus earning a salary of $50 a month.

Then he became a deacon in the Church. He had to give up his $50 job to accept $20 a month as deacon in charge of St. John the Baptist Mission at Bullhead. He did odd jobs to earn enough to support his wife and two sons.

On December 3 last he was advanced to the priesthood after three years in the diaconate. He was burdened with debt. He obtained special permission from Bishop Roberts to live on his own farm, and is seeking Government aid to restock the place, so that he may pay his debts and earn a living by raising cattle, and thus carry on his priesthood among his people. He hopes in the next five years to so rehabilitate himself that he will be able to devote his full time to the Church.

A HOMECOMING from the Alaskan mission field brought back to the Diocese of Pennsylvania on March 5 the Rev. Mervin L. Wanner, priest in charge of St. John's Mission, Ketchikan, the great center of the salmon industry, which is known as the "gateway to Alaska."

Mr. Wanner was born on a farm near New Holland, Lancaster County, Pa., a little over forty-nine years ago. In the rich agricultural atmosphere of that section he built a rugged body, which he put to work in the steel mills.

When the World War ensnared the United States he went to France with the Seventh Division. Returning after the Armistice, he entered the wholesale grocery business in Philadelphia, where he remained until he felt the call to the ministry.

He was nearly thirty-eight years old when he was graduated from Virginia Theological Seminary in 1927. That same year Bishop Garland ordained him a deacon, and he left for Alaska. In 1928 he was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Rowe, who declared in his latest annual report: "I visited Ketchikan, the gateway to Alaska, and there is nothing special to say, except that under Mr. Wanner the work has gone on smoothly and with some evidence of progress. Mr. Wanner is an indefatigable worker, devoted, and is beloved by the members of the congregation."

Mr. Wanner's speaking schedule, arranged by the Rev. Dr. Frederick P. Houghton, executive secretary of the diocese, follows in part:

Sunday, March 5: 11:00 A. M.—Holy Innocents, Tacony; 8:00 P. M.—St. Matthew's, Francisville.

Monday, March 6: 11:30 A. M.—Woman's Auxiliary, St. Asaph's, Bala.

Wednesday, March 8: 10:45 A. M.—Domestic Committee, Woman's Auxiliary, Church House.

Thursday, March 9: 3:30 P. M.—Woman's Auxiliary, Holy Trinity, Philadelphia.

Friday, March 10: 8:00 P. M.—House of Prayer.

Sunday, March 12: 10:45 A. M.—St. Peter's, Weldon; 8:00 P. M.—Epiphany, Sherwood.

Monday, March 13: 3:15 P. M.—Woman's Auxiliary, Church of the Saviour.

Tuesday, March 14: Chapel of the Mediator.

Wednesday, March 15: 4:00 P. M.—Christ Church Hospital Chapel.

Friday, March 17: 2:00 P. M.—Woman's Auxiliary, St. Martin's, Marcus Hook.

Sunday, March 19: 11:00 A. M.—Incarnation, Drexel Hill; 8.00 P. M.—St. Elisabeth's, Philadelphia.

Monday, March 20: 3:00 P. M.—Diocesan Altar Guild, Church House.

Another March visitor to the diocese was A. M. Strange, principal of Okolona Industrial School, Okolona, Miss., and an outstanding Negro educator in the South, who was here from March 1 to 6.

Mr. Strange, after graduating from Alcorn Agricultural and Mechanical College in Mississippi, returned to his native Louisiana and founded an industrial school. That school was burned. He then went to Tupelo, Miss., and became principal of a public school. It was there that the American Church Institute for Negroes found him four years ago and made him head man at Okolona.

Under his administration, Okolona School has developed into one of the most important schools in Northern Mississippi.

His engagements here included addresses to the Committee on Colored Missions, Woman's Auxiliary, and the Clerical Brotherhood, and gatherings in St. Augustine's Mission, Episcopal Academy, St. Thomas', Whitemarsh; and Calvary, Germantown.

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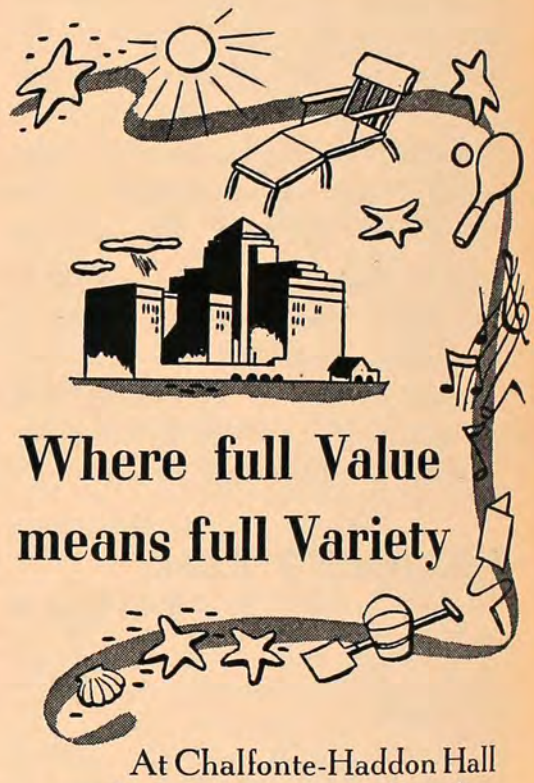

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WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

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foregoing resolution was read by Mrs. Edward Ingersoll, president. The members of the board agreed that it was a Christian duty to try to break down the terrible hatred against the Jews in this country, where there are now more than 200 anti-Jewish organizations.

A concrete evidence of the Christian attitude of fellowship could be shown by:

1. The Christian Social Relations Committee, and Diocesan Committee, if possible, inviting a Friend to come to a meeting and tell what the Friends are doing in their work for the refugees.

2. Signing of affidavits for refugee Jews and German Protestants who have prospective means of livelihood. Six Nobel Prize winners have been expelled from Germany.

3. Showing friendship to Jews in our neighborhood.

FIELD DEPARTMENT

Miss Augustine Haughton, Chairman of the Chester District of the Field Department of the Woman's Auxiliary, realizing how widespread her district is, divided it into three sections. Successful meetings for presidents and other officers were held in each of these sections during the last month: St. James, Downingtown, Mrs. P. W. Canby, hostess; Trinity, Swarthmore, Mrs. W. Minton Harvey, hostess; Redeemer, Bryn Mawr. The meetings were well attended in spite of stormy weather each time. Much interest was displayed by lively discussions and enthusiasm for a continuance of the meetings. There will be a joint meeting in the Spring at one of the rural parishes.

Five years ago the Field Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, Mrs. James T. Davis, was invited to talk to a group of women at St. Faith's, Brookline, after which a branch of the Auxiliary was organized. At that time great interest and executive ability was apparent. Upon a return visit a short time ago, Mrs. Davis was delighted with the progress and development which these women and the Church had made. The meeting was well conducted by Mrs. John C. Haynes and reports from all the fields of service were heard. These women are doing a splendid piece of work in the parish and the community. An atmosphere of friendship and enthusiasm for the program of the Woman's Auxiliary is apparent.

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Other evening events in coming months are:

April 4—Meditation.

April 11—Pictures, Mrs. Charles Fife.

April 18—Play, "The Rock," the Pilgrim Players.

April 25—Music.

May 2—To be announced.

May 9—Annual service in St. James's Church.

May 16—Strawberry Festival, 708 Spruce Street.

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